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Campus prepares for spring elections

MATT WAGAR AND
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State Hornet

A near-record setting 25 candidates are running for 13 open positions on the Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors in the upcoming May 2 and 3 student elections.

Only the 1999 ASI elections have recorded more declared candidates, with 29 students running for office. Unlike 1999, when the director of education position was left vacant, there is at least one eligible in all 13 positions in this election.

This year, the most contested seats on the board are President, Director of Health and Human Services and Director of Social Sciences, each of which has three students running.

The challenge foreseen by several candidates is voter turnout in the election.

"Nothing stands out on the ballot this year," said Paul Hegyi, candidate for ASI President.

"In the past, turnout has been higher when controversial issues or referendums are put before the students. Without things like the Recreation Center I'm not even sure if the election will legally pass."

According to ASI Bylaws, at least five percent of the student body, or about 1200 students must vote for the election results to be valid. The closet the election has ever been to failing was in 1998 when only 8.1 percent, or 1918 students voted. In the last election 2637 or 11.4 percent of students voted.

On the other hand, Chris Missick, a candidate for Vice President of University Affairs, believes that elections will have a "very good turnout."

"Campus life is on the rise and that should have a direct impact on the number of people voting," said Missick.

A significant change to the election process this year is the embracing of the internet as a campaign tool by the candidates. The two major slates, Focus 2000 and E*nigma 2000 have founded web sites at www.csusfocus.com and www.enigma2k.bizland.com, respectively.

The three candidates for president have embraced an array of platforms, but one commonality is a call for solutions to Sacramento State's parking congestion.

Jason Bryant is currently the executive vice-president of ASI and is running on the Focus 2000 slate. According to the voting pamphlet, he will give students what they deserve—a high-quality, low-cost education. He is also interested in advocating for more parking spaces and making the campus safer by running the CSUS shuttle for longer hours.

Sam Eger is running on the E*nigma 2000 platform, He says he wants to be the voice of the unheard student body. In the voting pamphlet, he says he stands for enhancing the quality of campus life and education for all students.

Paul Hegyi is running on a three-principle platform: no new fees, reforming ASI, and accessibility. He wants students to re-evaluate all of ASI's programs, and would like to see ASI members hold office hours in public places and actively seek out input from students.

Voting booths will be open form 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday and Wednesday. The polling locations are the Eureka Hall Quad, Lassen Hall, the Library Breezeway, the River Front Center, and the University Union.

Until ASI is sponsoring several candidate debates around campus. Events will be held today at 11:30 in the River Front Center, Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Library Quad and on Monday at 11:30 outside Taco Bell.

A complete list of candidates for ASI office, including expanded election coverage and State Hornet Editorial Board endorsements of executive candidates will be available beginning Wednesday evening at www.statehornet.com.



Earth Day 2000

Children from the Sacramento community learn about recycling, wildlife, water conservation and the importance of clean air. The Environmental Council of Sacramento, along with ASI and other groups, hosted the Earth Day celebration on the Sacramento State campus Saturday.

Above, Nathanial Russell, 3, from Citrus Heights, gets a balloon ladybug from "Sunflower" the clown. Right: Skyler Cromley, 4, from Sacramento, pets a kitten at the SPCA Adoption Booth.

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Hornet auction site keeps up with big Internet companies

JILL FREEDMAN
State Hornet

Sacramento State can compete with the big guys like eBay and USAuction, with the auction on the State Hornet Web site.

The Sacramento State Hornet Web site, **www.statehornet.com**, offers users the chance to buy and sell anything from automobiles to zoology books quickly, easily and via the Internet.

Ryan Anne Polli, a junior graphic design major and Chief Art Director, purchased a caricature of herself from a fellow Sac State artist through the Hornet auction.

"I thought it was cool that artists can sell their work and make some money from it. I wanted to support that," Polli said.

Sac State students can, and do, offer some unusual items through the Hornet auction.

Junior Lane Kasselman, ASI Board member, offered a "dream" date with himself on the website. The date sold for twenty five dollars, after thirty days and twelve other bids. The dream date was eventually bought by Jeremy Brickner.

"I wanted to promote publicity of the website. I wanted to support it and I thought it would be entertaining" said Kasselman.

The Hornet auction is a mini-version of larger Internet auctions, such as eBay and USAuctions. All three sites, in order to alleviate potential problems, require buyers and sellers to register prior to auctioning or bidding. Information such as home and e-mail addresses is required.

They allow consumers to browse the sites free of charge without registering, but browsers must register in order to auction or bid on items.

The auction sites also have policies and agreements to which all participants must agree and follow.

USAuctions, eBay, and Hornet require that buyers and sellers be at least eighteen, the age at which it is legal to enter into a contract.

The auctions also state that disputes are not the responsibility of the site, but of the individual buyers and sellers. If any buyer is dissatisfied with the purchase he or she has made, it is made very clear that the disagreement is to be handled between the individual buyer and seller, not the auction site.

"In the event that you have a dispute with one or more users, you release eBay from claims, demands, and damages of every kind and nature known and unknown," the release statement on the eBay Web site admonishes. Both USAuction and the Hornet Auction Web sites have similar release statements.

USAuctions is a little different from other sites, according to Thomas Carvelli, C.E.O.

"We make most of our money selling our own products. We buy from liquidation sales and sell the merchandise on the Web site. Our site is not designed around the seller, but rather the buyer," Carvelli said.

The Hornet auction and eBay cater to both seller and buyer, according to their Web sites. Items to be found on these two sites are primarily obtained from individual buyers.

Anyone interested in visiting the Web sites can access them at **www.statehornet.com, www.ebay.com** and **www.USAuctions.com**.

Internet music, copyright laws hot topics on campus

Campus allows internet music, for a while

ANNA WANG
State Hornet

While more and more colleges have banned students' access to some popular music Web sites on campus, Sacramento State will allow music lovers to keep rocking.

As one of the music Web sites, Napster has enabled users to download MP3 music files, compressed audio files, from the Internet for free. Napster requires the users to allow access to their hard drive in exchange for gaining access to thousands of other users hard drives around the world. Although it appeals to music fans, Napster also has some colleges and the music industry up in arms.

According to a recent article in the Sacramento Bee, almost 70 schools nationwide are using filtering programs to deny students access to Napster, including the University of Texas, Boston University, Northwestern University, Oregon State, and the University of Chicago. These schools said downloading music caused most Internet traffic on their campuses and made the Internet access difficult for students who need to use it for academic work.

"We're not currently affected. At present time, there's no restriction and no plan to do it," said David C. Hill, the director of University Computing and Communication Services.

"We don't see many people really doing this at any level of significance. Our student body is considered older and more mature," said Spencer Freund, the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs/Telecommunications.

Unlike Sac State, most schools banning Napster have heavily residential

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Users find minefield of copyright questions

RYAN ENDEAN
State Hornet

The explosion in popularity of Internet music has created concern regarding the enforcement of copyright laws, according to music executives.

Music industry executives are also concerned with the effects that MP3's are having on their profits. Many are attempting to sue free Internet music providers in an attempt to protect copyright laws and their profits.

The Recording Association of America has had mixed success taking such companies to court. The association recently lost a lawsuit against the makers of an MP3 player, claiming that their product violated copyright laws. The RIAA is currently taking the Internet company Napster.com to court, citing that they are "contributing to copyright infringement."

Michael Robertson, founder of MP3.com, counters the music industry's argument stating that the free Internet music revolution is actually helping the music industry.

"MP3.com has created an invigorating, competitive landscape where companies are forced to compete with each other for artists. This competition will continue to drive favorable terms and better revenue splits by giving artists more choices," he said in a recent interview with Billboard magazine. "Now I think there's a universal acknowledgement that digital music will fundamentally transform the business and create a bigger pie and not a smaller one."

Some artists aren't so quick to agree with Robertson. Last week, rock group Metallica filed a lawsuit against Napster.com and three college universities,

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Spring 2000 Important Election Dates

All deadlines must be met to remain eligible to seek office.

All forms, unless otherwise noted, must be turned into the Student Affairs Office
Lassen Hall 3008 between 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Election Dates & Times:	Tuesday, May 2, 2000 Wednesda7y, May 3, 2000 8:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Election Packet Availability:	Monday, March 6 - Friday, April 14, 2000
Begining of Campaigns	Monday, April 3, 2000 (After candidate eligibility is determined)
Applications for Candidacy/ Election Receipt	Date determined upon receipt of election packet.
-Letter of Intent to run for office -Authorization for academic information release -Election complaint resolution agreement -Candidate statement for voter pamphlet	Monday, March 6 - Friday, April 14, 2000
Final day to file an election complaint	Wednesday, May 10, 2000
Final spending reports with receipts due	Friday, May 5, 2000

Workshops

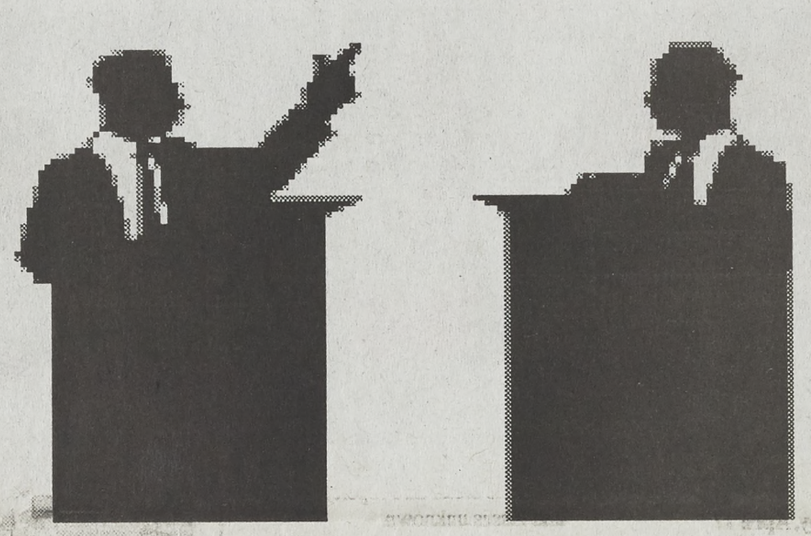
All workshops will be held in the ASI Conference Room

Thursday, March 9 @ 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 16 @ 10 a.m.
Monday, March 20 @ Noon
Tuesday, March 21 @ 5:30 p.m.
Friday, March 24 @ Noon
Sunday, March 26 @ 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 12 @ 10 a.m.
Friday, April 14 @ 2 p.m.

Debates

All Candidates Round Table Discussion in Pub	Monday, April 24 @ 6:00 p.m.
Board Member Candidate Debate Outside of Taco Bell	Tuesday, April 25 from 3-5 p.m.
Board Member Candidate Debate in Library Quad	Wednesday, April 26 from 11:30-1:30 p.m
Officer Candidate Debate in Library Quad	Thursday, April 27 from 3-5 p.m.
Officer Candidate Debate Outside of Taco Bell	Monday , May 1 from 11:30-1:30 p.m.

Information regarding other debates will be available at a later date.



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2000 ASI Election

May 2nd-3rd ASI

Application for absentee voter's ballot

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Friday, April 27, 2000

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Police Log

Compiled by Matt Sumpter

Wednesday, April 12
BURGLARY
Eureka Hall; A door lock was tampered with and property was stolen from a locked room.
LARCENY
Yosemite Hall; Victim reported that his wallet and lock were stolen from the men's locker room.
VANDALISM
Library – Third floor; Reporting person witnessed a subject tearing pages out of books and requested that an officer escort subject out of the building.

Thursday, April 13
VANDALISM
Lot 1; Lot gate arm was damaged during the night of April 8.
BURGLARY
Lot 7; Victim's vehicle was broken into and $10 was stolen.
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
Residence Hall Parking Lot; Victim's 1999 white Acura Integra was stolen from the parking area approximately 30 days earlier.

Friday, April 14
LARCENY
Parking Structure; Victim's parking decal was stolen.
LARCENY
Public Service Parking Lot; Victim's parking decal was stolen.

Saturday, April 15
NO REPORTABLE OFFENSES.

Sunday, April 16
INCIDENT
Main quad; Reporting person complained of skateboarders and rollerbladers in the main quad area.

Monday, April 17
INCIDENT: Suspicious Circumstances/Subject
Main Bus Stop; Female subject was verbally assaulting people.
INCIDENT: Suspicious Circumstances/Subject
University Union; Reporting party complained of a man harassing her.

Tuesday, April 18
VANDALISM
Parking Structure; Suspect slammed his car door into victim's vehicle causing damage to car. Miles Edward Bessman was arrested, cited and released for vandalism.

Wednesday, April 19
MISSING PERSON
University Union; 10-year old couldn't locate his mother.

Thursday, April 20
LARCENY
Lot 2; Victim's parking decal was stolen.

Friday, April 21
INCIDENT: Hazard to life, property, or campus
Facilities Management broke a gas line.

Saturday, April 22
INCIDENT
Library Quad; Reporting person complained of skateboarders in the library quad. Five skateboarders were sent on their way.

Sunday, April 23
BURGLARY
Residence Hall Parking Lot – near Sierra Hall; Police took report of a vehicle break-in. Property damage and loss is unknown.
BURGLARY
Residence Hall Parking Lot – near Desmond Hall; Police took report of a vehicle break-in. Property damage and loss is unknown.

To go or not to go, that is the question

Students and faculty see attendance policies differently

Christina Wood
State Hornet

Regular attendance in classrooms has become a controversial topic for both students and faculty.

Linda Tucker, Communication Studies professor, said she feels very strongly about class attendance. "It's a matter of personal integrity. If you don't come to class, how do you expect to learn anything?" she said.

If a student misses more than two days in Tucker's class, his or her grade is dropped a half a letter grade per day thereafter. She makes exceptions for emergencies or personal problems.

Nicole Warren, a freshman majoring in Communication Studies, said, "I think if you miss too much class and you don't have a reason, it's disrespectful to the teacher."

Jennifer Disch, a junior majoring in Public Relations, said class attendance is not only important but is an easy way to get credit. "If you attend class regularly, at the end of the semester teachers will usually give you the benefit of the doubt if you are between grades," Disch said.

Christian Larson, professor of management, said class attendance is important but he said it is the student's decision.

"Most students attend on their own free will," Larson said.

Larson has discussion papers in class that he says help boost attendance, and attendance in his classes only counts for 10 percent of the student's grade.

Rachel Apodaca, a junior majoring in mass communication, said it is ridiculous for teachers to take roll. "It's your responsibility to be there, and if you don't want to be there it's your choice. It's not the teacher's responsibility to be your parents," Apodaca said.

David Braverman, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, said faculty has the authority to determine what is appropriate for class attendance. There are no rules on attendance from the university, Braverman said.

"A lot of students say that if they can pass the test, then they're done," Braverman said.

"Classes are set up intentionally for students to receive the whole class experience," Braverman said. "You can't just read the book and expect to know the course. It's not just mastering the content only. The content flows way beyond the basics."

It's a combination of reading the book, class discussions, interacting with the teacher, feedback and lab experience that give a person the biggest knowledge Braverman said.

Niko Bencun, a senior majoring in accounting, said students should show more honor and integrity, instead of having attitude. "The teacher is the ruler of the classroom; you know what is expected of you so either deal with the rules or drop the class," he said.

Edith LeFebvre, professor of Communication Studies, said whenever participation is essential, and in many communication courses it is, then attendance does count but she is always willing to work around personal problems with a student.

LeFebvre takes attendance to help her get to know and remember her students better. "I really like getting to know my students by their name. I like that interpersonal interaction we have when we know each other," she said.



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Campus celebrates our Mother Earth

Anna Wang
State Hornet

If Leonardo DiCaprio displayed a passion for our planet when he conducted an environmental interview with President Clinton, so did the anticipatory attendees at the Earth Day 2000 celebration at Sacramento State Saturday.

This year's festival, entitled "Clean Energy Now!" attracted about 150 organizations and approximately seven thousand participants from the Sacramento area.

The intent of organizers was to emphasize environmental issues during this family Earth Day celebration, which focused on our relationships to the Earth and each other, according to the major sponsor, Environmental Council of Sacramento.

Over 100 booths and displays turned the main quad into an educational ground.

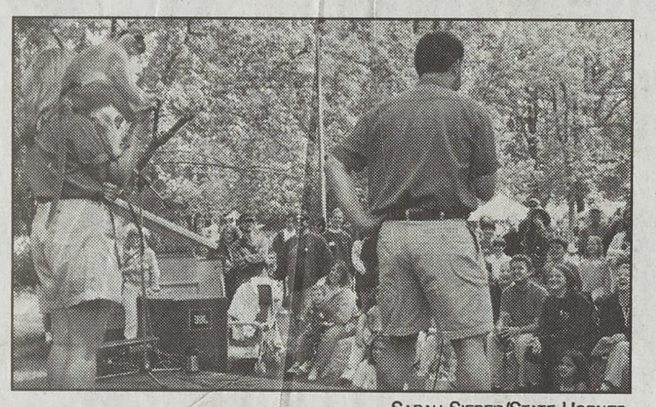
"We took booths out here to educate the public," said Angie Dixon, a Spring 1999 Sac State organizational communication studies graduate, currently working at the Lucy &Company Public Outreach Firm, representing the Sacramento Area Water Works Association.



Sarah Sieber/State Hornet

Gracie Manning, 4, from Sacramento, sits patiently as a volunteer paints a giraffe on her cheek. Gracie was one of the children learning about loving the earth at the Earth Day festival Saturday.

"This year is a great turnout," Dixon said as she awarded a coin holder to a 7-year-old girl who correctly answered that fish live in the water. The quizzes were designed on different difficulty levels to allow participation for all, from children to adults.



Sarah Sieber/State Hornet

"Ozzie the Monkey" and handlers entertain and educate the crowd during the Wildlife Education show at the Earth Day celebration.

"We want to bring people in and teach them about water conservation through the game," added Siana Lea Gildard, Dixon's colleague. A few seconds later, two middle-aged women with triumphant smiles on their faces, who responded that three states of water are ice, liquid and vapor, took away a water bucket.

In addition to water conservation, clean air issues were also addressed

Ford showcased seven electric powered cars at the festival. Among them, TH!NK city drew most viewers' attention because of its recyclable thermoplastic body and high efficiency — speeds up to 60 miles in 60 seconds and reduced costs from 5 cents per mile to 1 cent per mile.

Sacramento Municipal Utility District also seized this opportunity to inform its users about the "Plant a Tree to Shade Your Home" program. SMUD customers are eligible for free trees to plant and shade their homes. "My Mom bought a house last year, and she got five trees which really help to keep the house cool and add beauty to the landscape," said SMUD energy specialist Jean Parish.

Amid the sea of educational booths, many other organizations were promoting various energy-saving plans, such as the Tree Foundation, the Sierra Club, the California Army National Guard, etc. Other organizations, such as the Sacramento Turtle and Tortoise Club, focused on wildlife education.

"The old turtles are becoming extinct because humans are taking away their habitat. [The purpose of] our organization is to educate the public how to take care of them in the backyard," said the club president.

All the events were held concurrently from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on four separate stages, each with its own theme — Master of Ceremonies, Environmental Speakers forum, Wildlife Education and Body, Mind Spirit Grove.

Other special attractions included musical performances by Mumbo Gumbo, Junior Hot Cell, River City Boys and other local groups; yoga, meditation and Tai Chi demonstrations; indoor speakers and film shows. There was also space for an organic farmer's market.

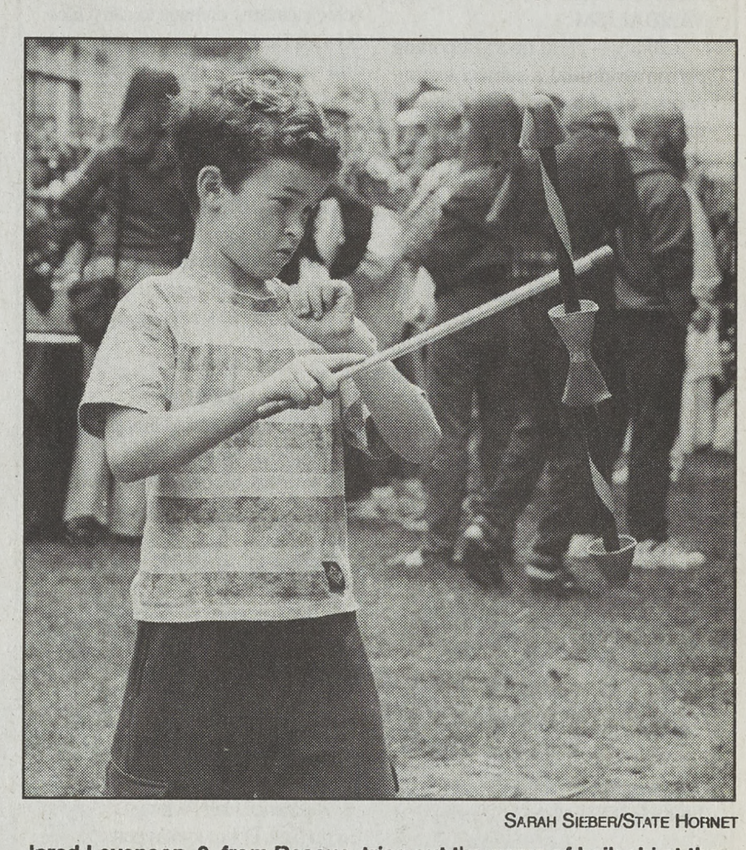
"My concern is that I have children and I don't want them to eat pesticide. Organic foods taste better and are fresher," said Sacramento State Liberal Studies senior Margaret Allbritten, who felt the festival was both versatile and informative.

The festival was not only a market for organic food, but also a launching ground for Sacramento News & Review's weekly environmental inserts.

"Sacramento will have two and a half times more people, cars and housing in 10 years. Air, water, transportation and sprawl all interconnect. This would be the new concept and we want to be the most progressive environmental paper in the capital city," said Chris Caraway, account executive of SN&R.

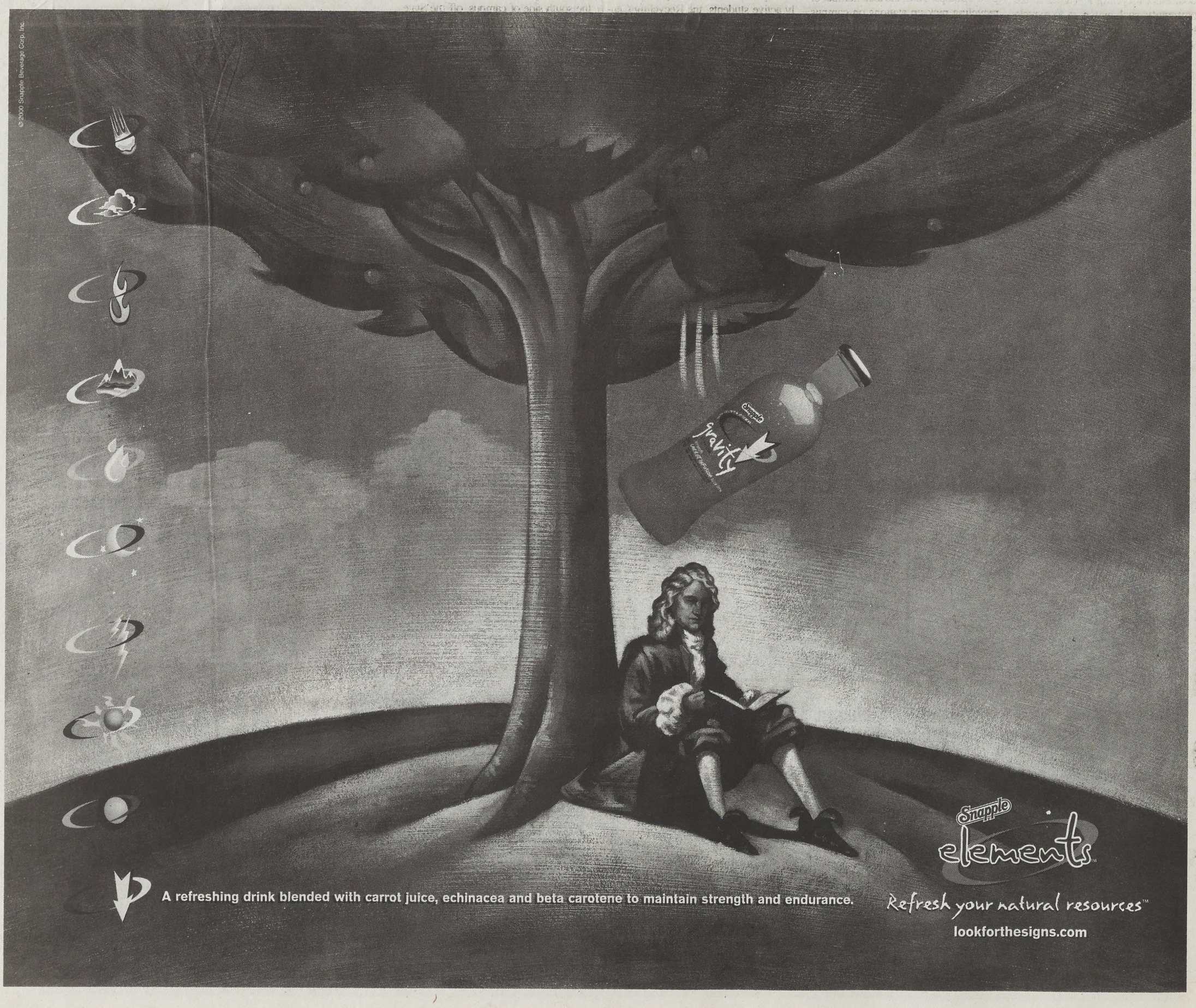
For further information regarding the Earth Day 2000 campaign or environmental issues, please check out Web sites www.earthdaysac.org, www.arb.ca.gov., www.sawwa.org, www.smug.org, www.thinkmobility.com.

Sponsoring organizations included: Department of Fish and Game, Sacramento Natural Foods Cooperative, Sunset.Net, Electric Sierra Cycles, USPro Drive Bicycle, Regional Environmental Business Resources and Assistance Center, Sacramento News and Review, The Eagle 96.9 FM radio and Sacramento Municipal Utilities District.



Sarah Sieber/State Hornet

Jared Levenson, 9, from Rescue, tries out the game of haik chi at the Earth Day festival on campus.



Recycling center puts trash to good re-use

Anna Wang and
Ariel Paff Carman
State Hornet

Used aluminum cans, soda bottles, newspapers? Don't throw them into the dumpster—drop them off at the Recycling Center where this old junk can be made new again.

The center is gearing up for improved efficiency with newly hired coordinator Roger Guzowski at the helm.

"Our main goal is to consolidate the various pieces brought up by different generations of management into one comprehensive program, such as trash contractors and labels on the trash containers." Guzowski said. "Also, we'll work with different departments and evaluate what kind of trash they generate."

The passage of Assembly Bill 75 by Assembly member Virginia Strom-Martin (D), which went into effect on the first of January, means that a certain amount of garbage must be diverted from landfills by each state agency and large state facility. The bill requires that 25 percent of the waste destined for landfills be diverted by the year 2002, and 50 percent be diverted by the year 2004.

To comply with AB 75, the California State University system has asked each campus to prepare an Integrated Waste Management Plan by July 1, 2000. Sacramento State has an advantage over other CSU campuses that do not have recycling facilities on-site, said Kent Ewing, manager of Custodial Services for Facilities Management.

In addition to its role in the Integrated Waste Management Plan, the center has as a working goal to find ways to increase revenue. This summer, the center will provide recycling services at the Olympic Trials events, as part of the effort to increase the awareness of recycling.

Efforts are made to educate people about recycling in the day-to-day operations of the center as well. Customers who come to the center are educated about other recycling resources in the community, such as where to recycle plastic bags, and how to sort recyclables for processing, said Mario Esquer, operations supervisor of the center.

In 1994, Sacramento State and the Sacramento Local Conservation Corps joined forces to run the recycling center, after many years of it being a student- or campus-run facility. The nature of this partnership locates the center on the university's property, with staff and funding provided by the SLCC. The SLCC provides local young adults with education and employment opportunities at the recycling center. This collaboration extends to funding as well. The university was able to purchase equipment with the SLCC funding, in addition to other grants awarded for various programs. All profits from the center are returned to the SLCC.

"They provide us most of the free labor to do all the collection. They do most of the operations there at the recycling facility force and keep most of the revenue from our recycling. For us, it is a great deal that we don't have to pay to get rid of our trash. Every time we throw something away as trash, we have to pay $30 to $35 per ton," Guzowski said.

Recently equipment has been purchased with grant funds from California Department of Conservation/Division of Recycling, including a multi-station processing sorter, a baler machine and a mechanical tooter lifter, Ewing said. The process of installing the new equipment caused the center to close for part of last year. Since the center reopened last spring, processing capacity has increased greatly. The new equipment will allow the center to add 50 pick-up stops on campus this year, as well as double the number of community pick-up stops. Thus, the total number of recycling pick-up stations on campus has increased to approximately 200.

According to Ewing, recyclables processed by the center come from the CSUS campus, state agencies and the community. The bulk of the material processed is office paper. On an average day, the center processes three to four bales of paper, which weigh approximately 1200 pounds a bale. At peak production, six bales a day are processed.

A ton of office paper can fetch $280 on the fluctuating paper market, while a ton of mixed paper can be sold for $180. The center is able to process all kinds of paper, including magazines, newspapers, chipboard, hardcover textbooks and cardboard.

The recycling center has been in operation on campus for more than 20 years.

In 1976, faculty and students of the Environmental Studies program founded the center. It ran as a student project for a few years, and then became a part of Associate Students, Inc. in 1984, as a result of continuing changes in legislation.

"When students ran [the facility], it was sporadic. One year if you had really active students, the Recycling Center would run very smoothly. While you didn't have someone who was really interested in it, then things kind of deteriorated over in the center. Nobody did a lot of things to keep the center clean," said Guzowski.

In 1996, Mark Kennedy was hired as a full-time coordinator for the recycling center. He resigned in fall of 1998 to take a job with the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

The recycling center idled after Kennedy's resignation until Facilities Management took it over in March 1999. The university hired Guzowski as the new coordinator in February.

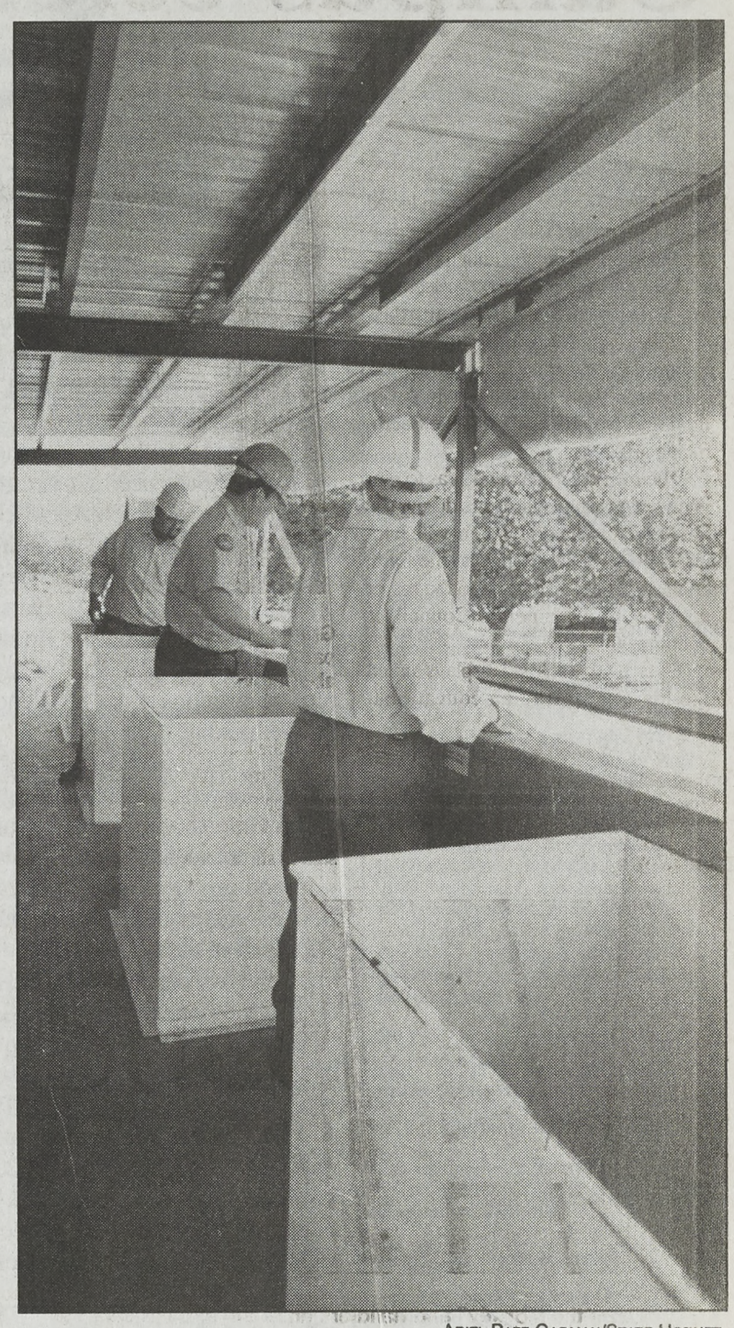
"Automatically, Facilities Management has been running the other waste activities. The folks control all the trash pick up and trash disposal contract. The collection side of recycling is really just waste. It's no different than if you pick up stuff out of trash. So it really makes sense for that to be under Facility Management as waste collection," Guzowski said.

The recycling center is open year-round, Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The center is located on the south side of campus, off the State University Drive East and next to the community gardens.



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A Sacramento Local Conservation Corps worker steers the newspaper baler in preparation for baling and shipping for recycling. The Recycling Center processes over 3600 hundred pounds of paper each day.



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Turn out to the polls

Associated Students, Incorporated elections take place on May 2 and 3. ASI is the only student political association on campus that represents the entire student body, and the organization is funded every semester by a $99 student fee.

For a hundred bucks a semester, students at Sac State need to take the initiative and turn out to the polls and choose the right people to spend student money.

Voter information packets are available on the third floor of the University Union in the ASI office, and the Hornet will be publishing endorsements for the ASI executive positions at www.statehornet.com on Wednesday.

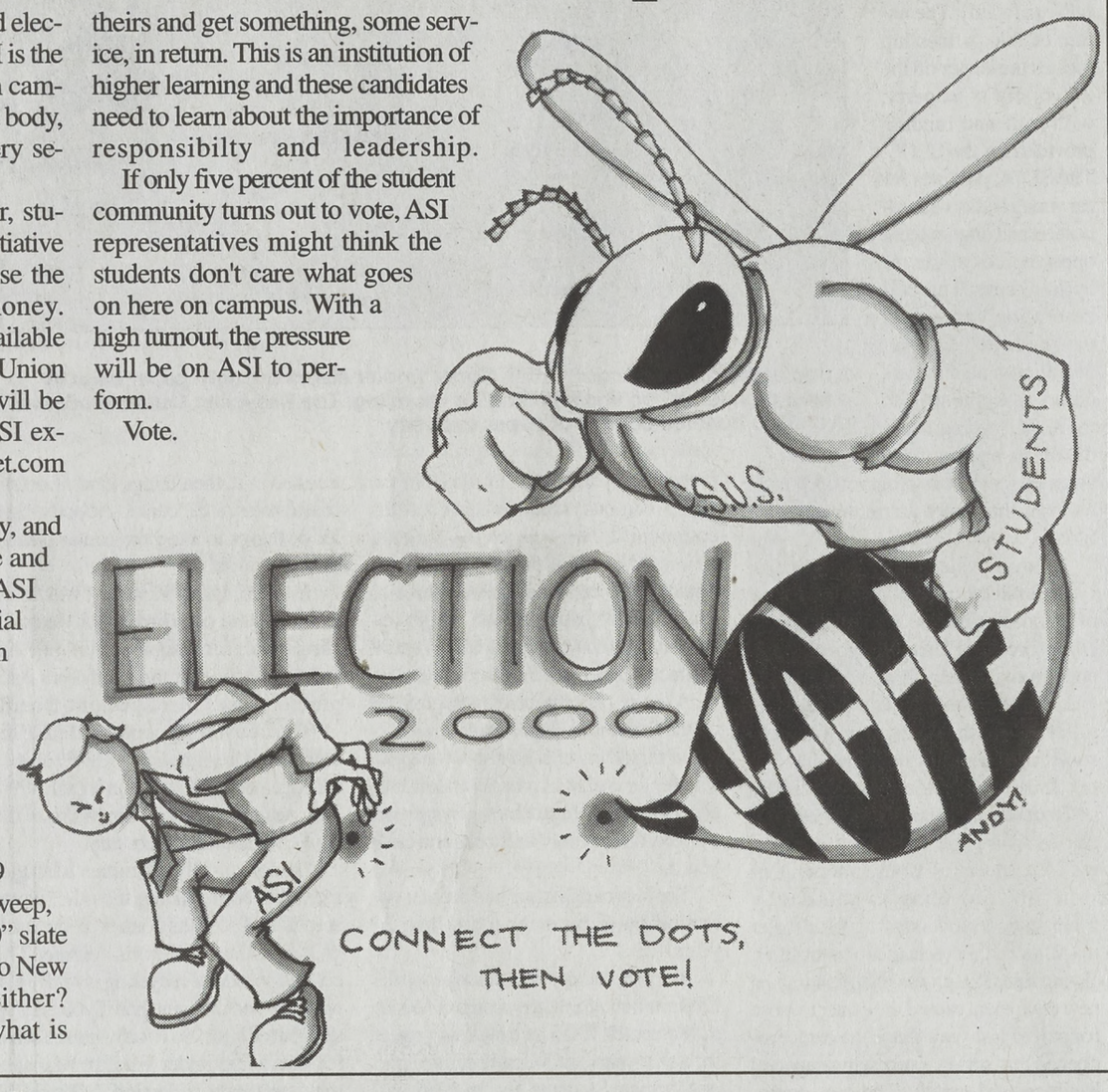
Voting is a valuable responsibility, and for $200 a year, something tangible and worthwhile should eminate from ASI office. And, without any controversial referendums or costly Recreation Centers on the ballot, the upcoming election is in danger of not drawing in the five percent of students needed for the results to be legal.

Some of the candidates are running on a slate together to increase their chances of election. The 1999 ASI election was witness to a slate sweep, no member of the "We'll do it 2000" slate lost. One slogan this semester is "No New Fees." How about no old fees either?

Students need to claim back what is theirs and get something, some service, in return. This is an institution of higher learning and these candidates need to learn about the importance of responsibilty and leadership.

If only five percent of the student community turns out to vote, ASI representatives might think the students don't care what goes on here on campus. With a high turnout, the pressure will be on ASI to perform.

Vote.



Letters to the Editor

No new fees

My name is Paul Hegyi and I ask for your support as I run for President. I believe I am the best candidate because I am running on issues of concern to you, not just with an assembled group. I want to REFORM ASI by taking a thorough look at all ASI programs and practices in order to respond better to students. I think your student government should be ACCESSIBLE—your elected officers can only represent you if they make you comfortable to bring issues to them. Finally, I will pledge to you, NO NEW FEES—students have shown they are fed-up with ASI. They aren't happy with how ASI already spends the $99 a semester they give, much less willing to pay more. I don't need a new tax on students to secure a personal legacy.

I encourage all students to contact me if they have any questions at p_hegyi@hotmail.com or 649-9026 and ask that you vote Paul Hegyi for President.

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Pardon me, but your cynicism is showing

Elizabeth Martin-Burk
State Hornet

I often wonder where my cynicism comes from. It certainly isn't a sign of age, because I've had this view of life since adolescence.

Where did I go wrong?

Where did we go wrong?

After all, we were the generation that was supposed to change the world, to make it better for everyone. To end all dividing lines—racial, gender, sexual preference—and create peace and harmony.

And instead, we are responsible for MTV, SUV's, and "Who Wants to Marry A Millionaire?"

When did the path to making the world better become the road to riches? When did we discard the helping hand, only to replace it with finger-pointing and road rage?

This isn't me facing 40 in panic. Many of "my generation" sit back and ponder on the changes we were supposed to make, and didn't.

Where did we lose our way? When did we lose sight of hope? What good have we done in the world?

Growing up in the 60s and 70s, one couldn't help but feel that mankind was not hopeless. Our teachers, aunts and uncles kept telling us "all you need is love." And we believed it.

So, what did happen to "my generation"? Where did we make that wrong turn?

Vietnam.

Vietnam is what happened to us. No matter our age, if we were alive in the 60's, we were touched by that war. We had fathers, brothers, uncles, and sons who were in it or ran from it or died from it. Vietnam changed the way everyone looked at everything.

Growing up in the television generation as I did, it's hard not to remember the grainy foreign images, the body bags piling higher and higher, the faces of people who were there, or knew someone who was there, or worse, knew someone who never came back from there. This was a powerful shaper of my perceptions.

Yes, I was young, being one of the last Baby boomers born in 1960, but since the U.S. was in Vietnam until the mid-70s, I was shaped by it.

I think I was more torn by it than most of my fellow teens. By the time Saigon fell, I was well into my teen years, living in San Francisco with uncles who visited Canada for a few years. But I spent my first decade of life as a military brat.

Duty, honor, integrity, follow orders no matter what, all that glorified rhetoric military brats were raised on. It's still ingrained in me almost thirty years later, so you can see it was a powerful influence.

But I also have a mother who was very much against the war, very much for peace and love and the other mantras that were being sung at the time. When we moved to San Francisco, I was surrounded by an entire neighborhood of people who felt like she

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The new look of love



Opinion By Aleta Carpenter

Everybody's doing it; the phenomenon of the December-May relationship, or Older Woman-Younger Man romance, is becoming more and more prevalent today in our society.

In the 1960s, actor Richard Burton left his wife, Sibyl, for his "Cleopatra" co-star, Elizabeth Taylor. Sibyl caused major shock waves when she quickly consoled herself by marrying much-younger and infinitely-more-handsome Jordan Christopher. She opened a trendy nightclub and lived happily ever after (unlike poor Richard, who bounced among a few other wives, including Taylor, twice).

Nowadays, however, this type of relationship hardly warrants a second glance. In the film industry, there are numerous high-profile examples: Susan Sarandon (53) and Tim Robbins (41), Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell with a six-year age difference, Linda Evans' (recently-terminated) relationship with Yanni, and Raquel Welch (59) and Joan Collins (allegedly 66) who each have 20 years-plus on the objects of their affections.

Madonna's even jumped on the bandwagon with her latest paramour, a British film director 12 years her junior, and Terry McMillan's popular book, followed by the film, "How Stella Got Her Groove Back," was based on her relationship with a young man she met in Jamaica.

Actuarially, this trend makes sense, since insurance tables have long shown that women tend to outlive men by about seven years. Women also have become more concerned about health and fitness, leading to increasingly youthful appearances and attitudes which appeal to men of all ages.

Successful professional women find that younger men are less intimidated by their positions and earning power than older, more traditional men seem to be. A male partner's success or wealth oftentimes is not high on the list of priorities for these women; success in their own right has freed them to make their choices based on other needs.

Younger men are attracted to the sense of confidence and security older women exude. They require less ego-bolstering and are generally less demanding of the younger man's time and attentions.

"I had no idea how old she was, and I didn't really care; I just knew that I liked her," was the assessment of a friend some years younger than the woman he dates.

"She knows what she wants. There are no immature games that go along with relationships," said another male friend involved with an older woman.

"I'm at a stage where I'm trying to decide what to do with my life," one young man told me. "It's nice for me to have someone who has gone through these things already, and I respect her opinions."

A close friend in the seventh year of her relationship with a man six years younger admitted, "To be honest, the subject never comes up; I didn't know how old he was when I met him, and I don't think about how old he is now."

Another friend likes it that "he doesn't have the baggage yet. He's not set in his ways and is more open to what a relationship can be. He likes to do the 'young' things I like to do. If I want to get up and play a game of basketball, he's ready."

After a long marriage to a powerful, successful, older man, I must admit that I too have succumbed to the lure of a younger man. I found a playmate, someone who skis, bicycles, kayaks, and white-water rafts with me. I had a good role model, though: my mother is seven years older than my father. She always told me, "I NEEDED a younger man to keep up with me!"

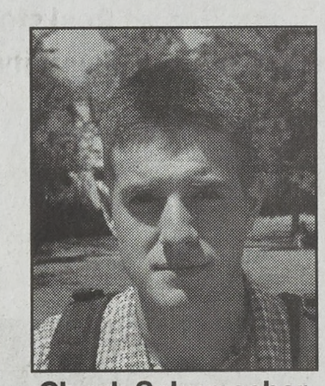
I repeat my mantra: Age is only a label. Guys: offer that sexy forty-year-old you've been ogling all semester an ice cream. Gals: invite that sweet young thing from class to meet you for an iced mocha.

Go on, take a chance; there's a whole new dating pool awaiting you. Dump those prejudices and preconceptions and open your mind to the new possibilities offered.

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What did you for spring break? Study or party?



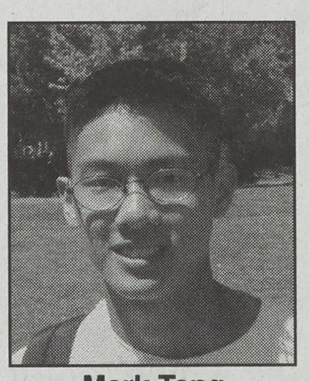
Chuck Schumacher
Government, Freshman

"I stayed out too late, partied too much and did not get any schoolwork."



Heather O'Toole
Social Science, Senior

"I worked out three times a day for rowing. It was really exciting."



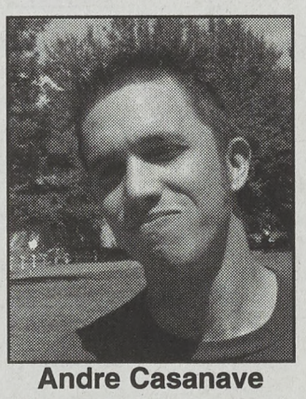
Mark Tang
Undeclared, Freshman

"I didn't do anything. I studied."



Robin Taylor
Social Work, Graduate

"I took my nephew to Legoland."



Andre Casanave
Mechanical Engineering, Junior

"What did I do? I guess if I can't remember it must have been pretty good."

Compiled by Matt Wagar
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Opinion

We live in a fantasy world



Opinion By Jacob Moss

We live in a world of illusions. We are surrounded by wealth and prosperity unheard of for the vast majority of humans on earth. We are constantly bombarded with images of sexual, physical, and moral perfection. Then it is expected of us to live up to those expectations.

When we find that we cannot, our efforts turn to aligning ourselves with people we initially perceive to embody that perfect ideal.

Thus begins the often-damaging procession of failed, abusive relationships.

I have spoken with so many people in failing relationships that I wonder if there is such a thing as a successful one. There are stories of jealousy, verbal abuse, smothering, emotional detachment.

Blah, blah, blah.

Underlying these human downfalls, however, is a simply understood American phenomenon.

We are all in a constant quest for perfection. We fantasize about everything. The perfect house. The perfect car. The perfect job. The perfect body. The perfect lover. And we are programmed since birth to believe that with enough hard work, a little bit of luck, and the appropriately orchestrated public image, we will eventually achieve all of our fantasies.

My humblest apologies, America. This is simply not the case.

From this moment until the end of your tiny little life, perfection will always be over there, never over here.

Now apply this to your relationships.

Meeting someone who seems to be in rhythm with your soul is one of the greatest feelings anyone will ever have. That initial adrenaline lust, the oft-ensuing animal passion, and the wonderfully helpless sensation of falling in love provides many of us with a reason to keep going.

Inevitably, however, the illusion slowly begins to crumble. At first the minor annoyances aren't overwhelming. Little spats are forgivable. But slowly we begin to blind ourselves to the reality of our lovers. We have created in our minds an ideal of this person, based loosely on their character traits and physical being.

Soon, we begin to see only what we want to see, the fear and pain of another failed relationship outweighing the energy needed to maintain our fantasy. In this state, we will take (or give) abuse without a second thought. We will justify our misery with sayings like "but he can be so sweet," or "she is so beautiful." And after a while, we learn that some of the best sex we will ever have is "make-up" sex. The bigger the fight, the better the sex.

We are good at maintaining fantasies. We are Americans living in a fantasy world.

So how do we overcome this cycle? I have an idea. Here's how to have the perfect relationship.

We must all realize that we are extremely complex organisms with layers and layers of stimulation requirements. Some people need to be around aggressive people. Some people need sensitive people. Some need artists or athletes. The variations of our human existence are endless. But whatever your needs, you must first allow yourself to slip out of the fantasy persona you have created for yourself. If you are constantly wishing you were different, then you haven't allowed yourself your own humanity. If your body is not quite right, you wish you were a little smarter, maybe a little funnier—whatever the case may be—relax.

True beauty lies in balance and harmony. It does not lie in perfection.

Acceptance of yourself as a beautiful and balanced human being will allow you to know yourself which will, in turn, allow you to find someone who is that perfect compliment to yourself. As you become more in tune with your mind and body, people who will harm your balance will be more noticeable. People you would never have considered before will become strangely attractive. Others who have achieved this sense of self-awareness will, in turn, become attracted to you.

Do not misunderstand me. I am not advocating the abolition of dreams and goals. Nor am I suggesting that fantasizing is not important. It is a means of stress release and motivation. However, be sensitive to the possibility of fantasy induced paralysis.

The quest for perfection can be very damaging because the ideal is often times unreachable, causing inaction and stagnation. Do not idolize your lovers. Do not project unattainable and inhuman ideals on your lovers.

Above all, accept them for what and who they are and act accordingly.

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MILITARY BRAT: Found unlikely source

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did, and who looked askance at anything that reeked of military precision.

Small wonder I'm ambivalent about life at this stage.

If you believe, as I do, that we held onto so much hope and promise until 1975, then the answers as to where we went wrong are clear, but not so easy to iterate. Not without getting sloppy and sentimental and maudlin, and I'm not that old yet.

It should come as no surprise that I turn to books in this crisis of faith for answers. They are hard to find. But not impossible.

And I found some in the least likely source—Stephen King.

King, pop horror hero, is known for his gruesome visions and lengthy tomes. Not a place many of us would look for answers to life crises, you think?

In a recent novel, Hearts of Atlantis, King explores the questions I've been asking myself for years. I always thought I was the only one who might have these questions, or else, the only one brave enough to question what we've become, those of use now running the planet.

I was wrong. King explores the entire question of who we were before Vietnam, and who we all became after the green of the jungles had faded into dim nightmares and cold night sweats.

And he managed to put into words what I never could.

Speaking of what he calls "the legacies of the Vietnam experience," King says:

"We were the generation that invented Super Mario Brothers, the ATV, laser-missile guidance systems and crack cocaine. Our idea of a major lifestyle change is buying a dog. The girls who burned their bras now buy [them] from Victoria's Secret…we like to watch…movies, video games, live car-chase footage, fistfights on The Jerry Springer Show, Mark McGwire, World Federation Wrestling, impeachment hearings, we don't care we just like to watch. But there was a time…when it was really all in our hands…"

And without holding back, King tells us exactly what happened to us: "It had been in [our] hands, [I am] quite sure of it. But kids lose everything, kids have slippery fingers and holes in their pockets and they lose everything."

We did have it all, and now we don't. We are a generation who despises who we are and what we've become, even as we scramble to become more of what we loathe.

As King's aging Boomer character Sully says, "We had an opportunity to change everything. We actually did. Instead, we settled for designer jeans…tickets to Mariah Carey…frequent flier miles…Titanic…and retirement portfolios." And we never really left Vietnam. Never.

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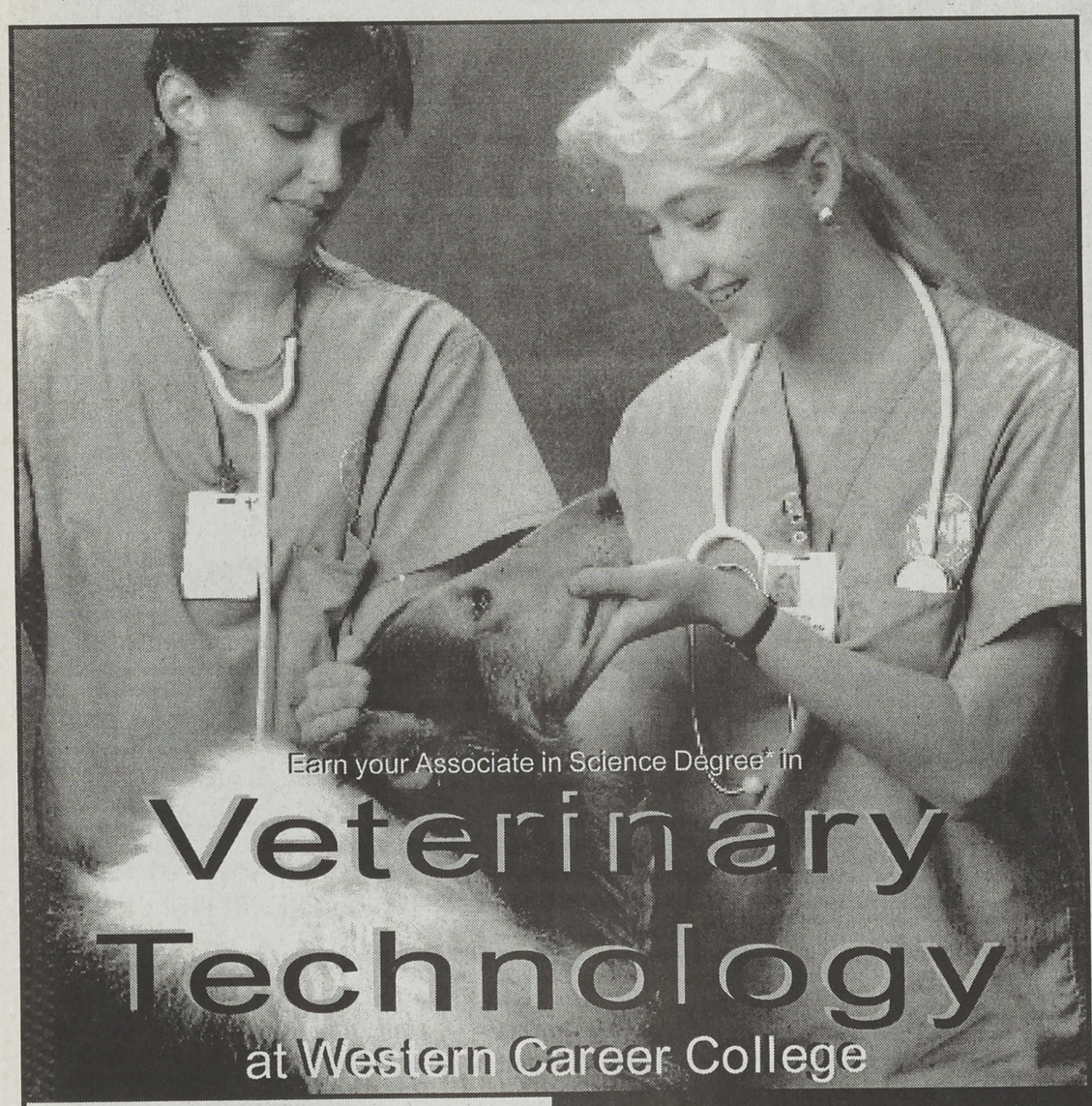
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Community college transfers in short supply

CSU numbers down alarmingly

Kristi Garrett
State Hornet

In the wake of reports that community college students are finding it more difficult than ever to transfer to a four-year university to complete their bachelor's degrees, officials insist that transfer rates are strong at Sacramento State.

Both the California Postsecondary Education Commission and the Little Hoover Commission expressed alarm last month that the percentage of students transferring to the University of California or California State University systems has been declining for several years.

At Sac State — the state's third most popular transfer destination — applications from community college transfer students are up for fall, university admissions officials announced. The statement, published on the university home page, noted that 277 more students than last year have applied for fall enrollment. Junior level transfers showed the greatest increase, correcting a slip in the number of community college transfers in 1997 and 1998 because of more rigorous admission standards.

Despite such assurances, however, a review of historical transfer data reveals that community college students are not continuing at Sac State as hoped. In fall 1999, 2,538 students transferring from two-year colleges enrolled at Sac State, which was an increase of 152 over the previous year.

But 10 years earlier, 2,677 students transferred from California community colleges. So the number of transfer students is holding steady, if not slipping. Overall, since 1989, the number of transfer students enrolling in fall has gone from 10.88 percent of the undergraduate population to 10.35 in 1999.

In the meantime, the number of first-time freshmen enrolling at Sac State has risen steadily. In the past five years — from fall 1995 to 1999 — the top feeder high schools in the region have sent 63 percent more freshmen to the university. Historically, first-time freshmen constituted 8.6 percent of undergraduates in 1979 and 9.6 percent in 1999. During the same period, all new transfer students went from 22.94 percent to 16.13 percent.

A CPEC opinion dated March 27 attributed the decline to tighter admission standards and limits on lower-division transfers by both UC and CSU systems. Course availability, articulation agreements, and personal and financial considerations also complicate students' ability to transfer, the commission said.

At the same time, the Little Hoover Commission, which oversees and promotes efficient operation of state agencies, found that most students who enroll in community colleges intending to transfer never make it to the university.

"For too many Californians, the [community] colleges are a false hope," Chairman Richard R. Terzian said.

Sac State hopes to boost community college transfers to 4,200 by fall, Outreach Director Emiliano Diaz said. To do that, the university sends emissaries to local colleges weekly or biweekly to do pre-admission advising, on-the-spot admissions, make classroom presentations and target prospects with direct-mail campaigns.

Engineering students get grant money

The National Science Foundation gives money and work experience

Rebecca Mize
State Hornet

Each semester for the next two years, more than 50 engineering and computer science students will receive scholarships at Sacramento State.

The scholarships will be funded through a $220,000 grant from the National Science Foundation. Each recipient will receive about $2,000 annually, along with placement in a paid work experience position through the CSUS Cooperation Education Program.

The scholarships are open to upper-division students who are within two years of graduation, with special attention being given to those students from historically underrepresented groups such as women, disabled students, and those from NSF-identified ethnic and racial groups.

The scholarships will help bring in students who may otherwise have never even considered this field, said Madeleine Fish, director of the MESA Engineering Program for the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

"We want to make sure that everybody can consider a career in this field," said Fish. "NSF also wants to make sure that the scholarships are advertised to groups that traditionally do not go into engineering."

Fish said that NSF not only offers scholarship recipients financial support, but also provides guidance counseling, networking, and professional development in order to provide students with a speedy and well-rounded education.

"A counselor is going to be involved with students and they will meet with them every few weeks to check to see how they are doing academically," said Fish.

This scholarship is really a great benefit to the department, said Fish. "A full-tuition scholarship is a great way to bring in really high-achieving students."

Potential recipients will be selected each semester based on their academic merit as well as on their professional success. Applicants will be asked to submit an application and letters of recommendation, and to engage in an interview.

For further information regarding the scholarship, contact the scholarship hotline at 278-5911.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"IF OPPURTUNITY DOESN'T KNOCK, BUILD A DOOR"

INTERNET: Policy only temporary, may change quickly

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student bodies, Freund said. The demands, placed on computer systems of both the school and the dorm, eventually clogged the whole college network, he explained.

Although Sac State decided not to take action at this time, the policy is only temporary, according to a school official requesting anonymity.

"The world is changing. What's maybe unacceptable today may be very acceptable tomorrow. More materials in audio and video forms are available. Those materials may have to be downloaded. We have to cross the bridges as technology changes," Freund said.

MP3, which stands for Motion Pictures Expert Group Layer-3, allows music lovers to download music easily, quickly and at no cost. It has turned thousands of personal computers into jukeboxes for fans, and terrified the record industry and retail store.

Recently the Recording Industry Association of America has taken large MP3 distributors, including Napster, to court, suing on the grounds that they have violated copyright laws, which are designed to protect authors' and musicians' works across the country.

On its Web site, Napster puts a notice of alleged infringement of copyright, allowing the copyright owners to identify infringed works and the user's name under which such material is available through the Napster service.

PIRATE: Some musicians sue Napster.com for copyright in-

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claiming the sites and universities were allowing near-CD quality music to be copied and distributed on the Internet. This week, two of the universities, Yale and Indiana University, blocked access to the Napster Web site to avoid further legal action.

A spokesperson for Metallica said that it would drop the law suit against Yale and Indiana University; however, they still plan to pursue legal action against Napster.com.

Rapper Dr. Dre has also threatened Napster.com with legal action unless they remove his songs from their site.

Short of lengthy court cases, the last line of defense for the music industry is a recently formed non-profit organization called The Secure Digital Music Initiative. The goal of the SDMI is to provide more technological protection for the music industry. The group has already developed specifications for portable devices. Numerous music and software companies have joined the group to try and protect copyright laws on the Internet.

As the Internet continues to grow at a rapid pace, the music industry will try and keep up with the rapid change through the government and advanced technology.

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Hornet Life

Dress to impress

Fashions change with each season. Now that spring has sprung, it's time to see what styles are in store for us.

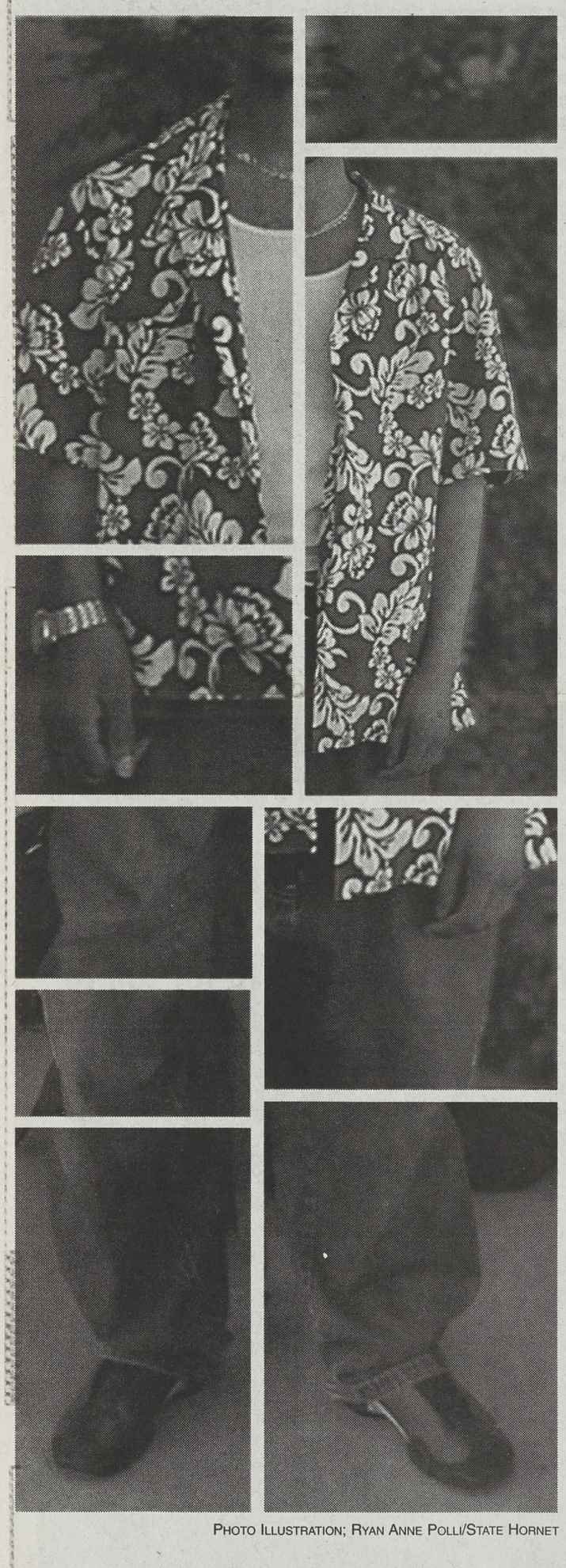


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He said

Antonio R. Harvey
State Hornet

Coming this summer, apparel giant For Us By Us (FUBU) will introduce a new line of clothing featuring an animated icon from the 1970s.

Carlin Cross, a student at Sacramento State, said he can't wait until that line hits the stores.

"FUBU hooked up with Fat Albert and the Cosby Kids," Cross said excitedly. "I'm going to be the first to represent and buy it off the racks."

FUBU Design Director, Bobby Joseph, who conceived the idea for the clothing line that has made its mark in the hip-hop culture, said many of the fabrics "will bear likeness and references" from the popular Saturday morning cartoon.

Joseph said that the collection will be priced slightly higher than the regular FUBU line, but it won't be restrictive.

"It's not an exclusive line, but the prices are higher, the fabrications are better and the detailing is nice," Joseph said. "It made more sense to do black characters, especially with an urban audience.

"Plus, everyone watched Fat Albert, not just black kids," Joseph explained.

Cross said, as an adult male, he can identify with the FUBU line of clothing since it appeals to everyone across the spectrum.

"I like their style," Cross said of FUBU. "Their clothes are comfortable, high quality and everybody, no matter what race you are, wears it."

FUBU is just one style of fashion Cross will model himself this summer. He expects to wear other clothing lines with household names such as Tommy Hilfiger, Ecko, Phat Farm, Players, DaDa, Nautica, Mecca, Quicksilver, and Ambercrombie and Finch.

Rounding out Cross' list of summer clothes, Chaps, No Fear, Old Navy, Gap and Stussy will also be thrown in the mix.

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She said

Heather Grubb
State Hornet

Spring 2000 women's' fashions are the hot topic now as the sunny days dominate the forecast. There are a variety of opinions on the appropriate style to select to complement one's personality.

So if you've got it, flaunt it, right?

"Not necessarily," said Curtis Ebo, a 21-year-old loan officer. "If you think you've got it, verify. Ask your friends what they think to make sure."

The dresses and skirts this year take us on a trip down Memory Lane, all the way back to the 1920s.

Dresses at popular department stores such as Macy's, Gap, Express, and Limited are frilly, ruffled, flowing florals in all kinds of bright colors. But not all women are accepting them as positive additions to the clothing market.

Alison Bort, a student majoring in psychology and biology, is not letting the frills into her closet.

"I wouldn't be caught dead in anything with ruffles. Maybe a bright color like pink or something, but definitely not ruffles in a million years." Bort said.

The flapper style is accompanied by the beachy stretch cotton style.

"Those are one of our best sellers right now," Sabrina Helmick, INC Specialist at Macy's, said.

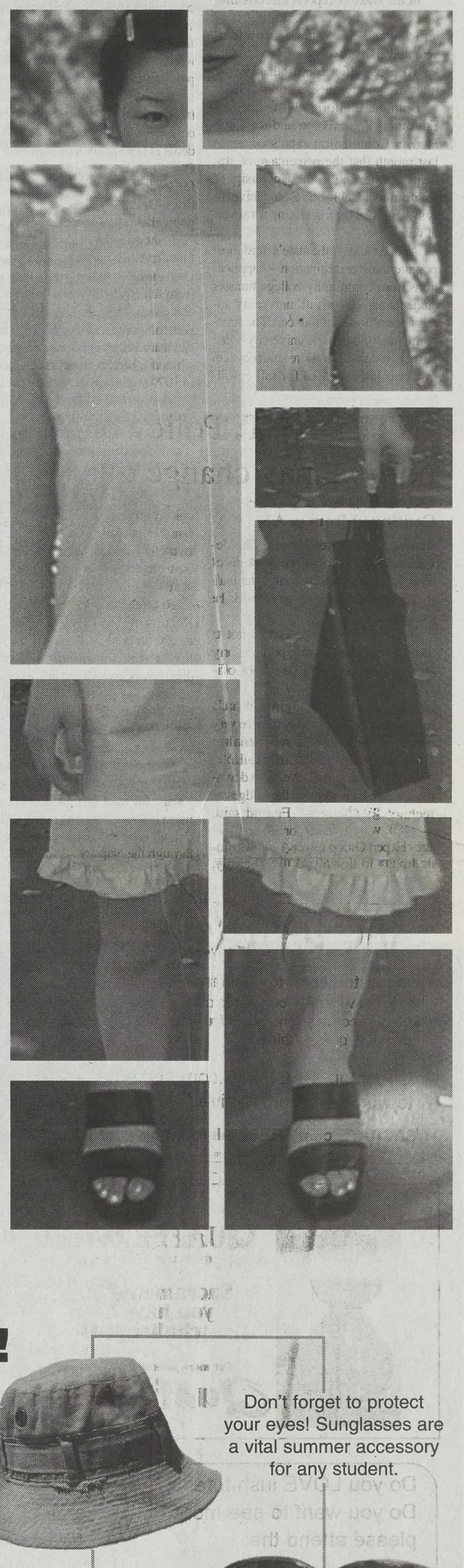
If you are into the beachgirl look, this might work.

"At least they aren't the short length anymore. They cover more than they did in the past few years," Helmick said, in regard to skirts this season. The current trend for the skirt length is right above or at the knee.

"The miniskirt is not in right now," Helmick said, "except maybe in the club scene, but that's another story."

Then what's the scoop on shorts this year? Contempo Casuals continues to push the Daisy Duke look that requires a girl to buy her normal size about five sizes bigger. And even then, they still just barely make it to where they are

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Try these on for size!

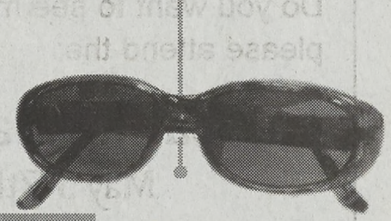


Don't care for sunscreen? Try these hats on for size. Not only do they help in shielding sensitive skin from the sun rays, they may also make a fashion statement.



Don't forget to protect your eyes! Sunglasses are a vital summer accessory for any student.





Seeing is believing

Elementary school students get a glimpse at what being a Sacramento State student is really about

Panteha Paknahad
State Hornet

There will be a music and dance performance, with international food, club demonstrations, department displays, and more on April 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Friday, Sacramento State celebrates the 24th annual River City Day Open House. There will be free entertainment, sponsored by the UNIQUE program, at the Library Quad.

Louis Camera, director of Student Activities said, "This event is a chance for the campus to show off and relax before the final exams."

On this day, students from elementary schools and high schools will observe the joy and agony of being a Sac State student.

River City Day Open House offers an interaction opportunity between Sac State and the Sacramento community. On Friday, different Sac State clubs will seize the chance to inform new and prospective students about club activities and fund raising through activities.

Some of the participating clubs include the Multicultural Organization of Science, Filipino Americans Celebrating Excellence, Alpha Chi Omega and Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Different Sac State departments will also organize displays, exhibits and demonstrations on Friday.

The physics exploratorium will be offering an activity in Sequoia Hall, Room 236, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. An astronomy solar activity viewing will be at the Mendocino Quad from noon to 4 p.m

The Vertebrate Museum will have an activity in Sequoia Hall, room105, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. These are but a few examples of Sac State departments participation in this event.

Sac State will also offer enrollment, financial aid, academic advising and housing information for students.

Jim Stubblefield, a composer and guitar player, will be at this event. Stubblefield associates the sounds of Middle Eastern, Spanish Flamenco, South American, and Afro-Cuban in his music.

"I love Spanish, Afro-Cuban and Middle Eastern music because there is a mysterious, exotic quality about it. I hope the audience leaves my show excited and satisfied.

"I hope my music offers a type of escapism from the daily grind, and I hope that it inspires people to continue to support all the arts," Stubblefield said.

Linda Goodrich's African Caribbean dance class will perform Friday at noon. The band, Funkengruven, and the CSUS Gospel Choir will also perform.

A campus tour, originating at the Outdoor Theatre Lawn, is offered from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Library tours are offered at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the first floor of the library. Residence hall tours are offered from10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. commencing at Desmond Hall.

There will also be a ballet dance lesson at Solano Hall, Room1010. The lessons will be given by Nolan T'sani from 10 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. The lessons cost $10. For more information, contact Linda Goodrich at 278-5036.

For more information about River City Day Open House, call 278-6595.

WOMEN: What's hot and what's not for Spring 2000 fashion

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supposed to go. They may look good on the mannequins, but many women are opting to avoid them.

"Daisy Dukes are way out," says Heather Paulat, Liz Claiborne Specialist at Macy's.

Have you seen anyone that looks like they are awaiting a flood?

"Capri pants with a 3/4 sleeve, button-down top looks cute," Jamie Peterson, a sophomore majoring in accounting, said.

Capri pants, clam diggers, and flood pants are all in this summer.

"It's a season of lengths," Paulat said.

"I really like the capri thing," Ebo said. "I think they look really cute on girls."

But not everyone enjoys the variety.

"Those half-pant things are annoying. The ones that are almost pants are okay. I guess," said Jesse Good, a liberal studies major.

"My girlfriend wears a lot of things from Express," says Josh Sutterfield, a graduating senior majoring in government. "I like clothes that don't draw too much attention. A girl shouldn't have to draw attention to herself with her clothes. Look tasteful."

And for some, classic denim will suffice.

Jeans shorts are always in and always comfortable for school. "I just really don't like cutoffs," Sutterfield said.

Another trend that has made its way into today's fashion frenzy is the shoestring-back shirts. They are practically backless, except for a skinny string connecting one side to the other.

Is she walking around campus topless? Nope. It's just the latest clothing fad.

"I hate those shirts," Helmick said. "I just sold one today to some girl. They are like a handkerchief with no support, and if you have any problems with your back, they do not look good."

"Save the stringy, strapless, and tight-fitting stuff for places other than school," Ebo said.

In order words, the shoestring shirts aren't going to work, huh?

So what does work? Comfort seems to take the cake here in Sacramento.

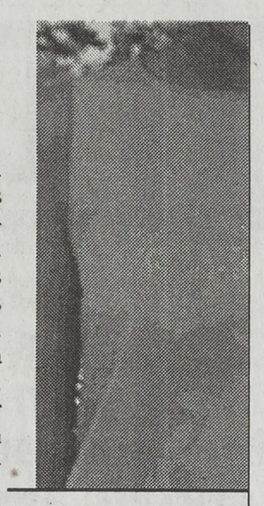
"I like comfy jeans and tank tops," says Jamie Peterson, sophomore majoring in accounting. "I hate the tight little boobs popping out shirts."

And we have all seen those. Then there is this flashback to the 1980s trend of accordian shirts. You know, the ones that were popular back in Fame and Flashdance days?

Then there is the shoe issue. This season brings a vast array of slides, thongs, and sandals of various heights.

"Stick to the semi heels, but not the ones with lots of flowers on them," Good said.

And for some, the closer to the ground the better.



"I like slides I guess," Sutterfield said. "White slides with capri's would be cute, maybe with a blue tank top. The shorter heels are much more attractive."

Shorter heels make for quicker walking. Guess the huge chunky platforms are finally getting over their peak. Thongs are cute with the beach dresses and with most any pair of shorts.

So what's the best choice for the fashion frenzy?

"Wear what you feel like wearing, not what the fashion community tells you to," Peterson said.

Trendy or conservative, this season is sure to bring some style that works for each individual. Dresses, skirts, tanks, tubes, shorts, capris, slides, thongs, tubes or shoestring tops, it's up to the individual to choose.

The styles and colors are endless.

Ebo said, "The success of the outfit really depends on who is wearing it."

MEN: What the hippest men will wear when the birds start chirping

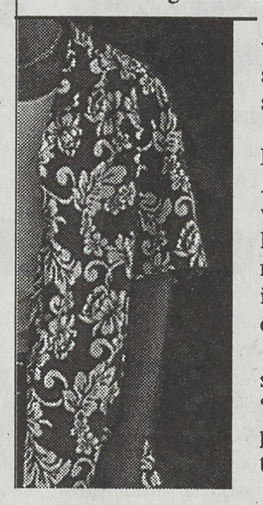
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"It will be nothing special—only the usual," he said. "Tee-shirts, button-down plaids, shorts that reach your knees and sandals."

Cross said that he doesn't plan to pour a lot of cash into summer clothes, either.

"I'm not going to spend a whole lot of money on clothes," he said. "I like to look nice and presentable, but, hey, the money I make at my gig doesn't stay in my pockets for a long length of time. I have to keep my summer wardrobe simple."

In addition to popular brand-name clothing, Cross said he will continue to wear a line of clothing that will never cease to go out of style—athletic gear.



"I really don't care if it's fall, winter, spring or summer," he said. "Athletic wear is here to stay."

Athletic apparel by Nike, Fila, Converse, Reeboks and Adidas will stand out everywhere this summer. Interestingly enough, Cross discovered a new athletic clothing line that is steadily gaining attention (and consumers' cash flow).

"Last summer, I found this T-shirt by Avirex Sports," he said. "I'm telling you this is what people are going to wearing all through the 21st century.

"They design shirts, socks, caps, jackets…everthing," Cross said of Avirex. "I saw Nas (the pop-rap artist) wearing some of their stuff in the movie 'Belly.' I don't think too much of Nas, but he caught my attention by wearing those clothes."

As usual, expensive gym shoes will remain a centerpiece for men's fashion. And the Michael Jordan Collection seems to be the leader of the pack.

"I bought a pair of Jordans in February. Before the end of the summer I'll have another pair. Not to sound like a hypocrite or anything, but no expense will be spared," Cross said. "Jordan is still my boy and his gear always represents quality."

The new pair of Jordan shoes Cross purchased are dynamic in design and style. They look like a human foot made of soft white leather trimmed in Carolina blue (a representation of Jordan's alma mater, North Carolina University).

"The feel is oh-so -real," Cross said of the shoes. "It feels like I'm wearing socks."

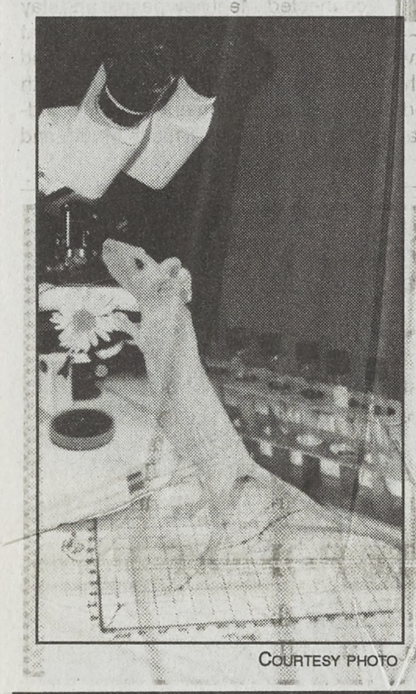
If you are wondering where you can purchase these stylish clothing, Cross said you can find them in almost any clothing outlet in Northern California.

Old Navy, Getta Clue, On Time Fashion, The Gap, Copeland's Sports, The Footlocker and many, many more are practically at your disposal.

"The way I see it, clothes are a major part of who you are," said Cross. "I'm not putting on anything that doesn't fit my character.

"And by the way," Cross said, "My fiancée buys all my underwear. So I won't even go there."

Working together to save critters



Courtesy photo

Rogaine, the hairless rat, is one of the many critters that has found refugee at Sacramento State. There are many volunteer positions available at the Biology Department's animal shelter with the possibility of earning units for participation.

Panteha Paknahad
State Hornet

Sacramento State animals need you.

Over 50 animals, the majority of them abandoned by their owners, are counting on the fund raising that will take place in the lobby of the Sequoia building April 28, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Rogaine, the hairless rat; Barney, the red-tail boa; Julius, the ball python; Lump, the toad and many more need help. Friday's event will feature bake sales, live animal displays, games, raffles and much more.

Biology Department staff, students and volunteers have offered these animals a refuge for many years, but the budget is limited. It covers only the basic needs of these animals.

Jana Shober, instructional support technician, said the Biology Department receives abandoned animals in their worst condition and these animals need immediate medical attention.

Two veterinarians, formerly Sac State students, J.S. Purewal, DVM and Ken Pawlowski, DVM provide low-cost examinations for these animals. But the animal shelter needs more help.

The fund-raiser on Friday will raise money to cover emergency expenses, such as surgery and medications, for these crippled creatures.

"Come and meet some of these animals. Biology is not only about dissection," Shober said, "But don't acquire an animal until you learn about the needs of the it."

Some of these animals are adopted through The Sacramento Wild Life Society.

The Biology Department has a formal university account through the CSUS Foundation called "Critter Care," which is designed to meet the needs of these animals.

Contributions to this account are tax-deductible.

This idea started in 1995 when Frieda, the Sac State hen, was diagnosed with a blood parasite.

The Biology Department needs volunteers, as well as monetary contributions.

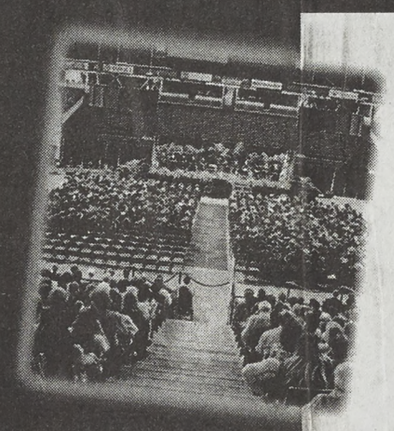
"More volunteers means more service for these animals," Shober said.

Sac State students can also obtain credit by signing up for the biology 197b class.

"These animals enhance the learning experience of pre-vet and biology students. For pre-vet students, these animals offer a chance for students not only to care for cats and dogs, but various other animals such as vertebrate, invertebrate and exotic animals," Shober said.

For more information about these animals or the fund-raiser, please contact Shober, at (916) 278-7677.

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In Sigma's Love,
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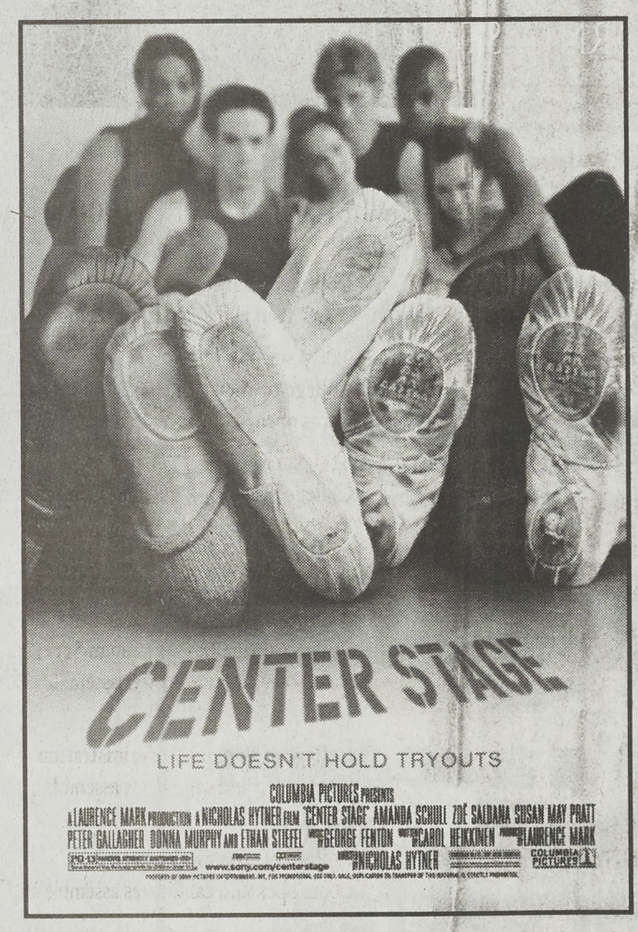
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27 THURSDAY

Stars Under the Stars featuring 3 hilarious comedians including Don Friesen (winner of the 1999 "San Francisco Comedy Competition");
7:30 p.m., Outdoor Theater; Free.

- **Greek Week**
  Basketball; 7-10 p.m., YSM 100.
- **Sac Ballroom Dance Club**
  Int. Rumba, 7 p.m.;
  Beg. Waltz, 7:50 p.m.
  No Experience Needed!

28 FRIDAY

- **River City Days**
  Demonstrations, Info, Clinics & a Wide Variety of Food, & Live Entertainment as part of Open House Celebration;
  10 a.m. - 2p.m., Library Quad.
- **Greek Week**
  Soccer; Noon-5 p.m., Soccer Fields.
- **Metaphysical Society**
  presents a Pyramid at Booth B18 on River City Days;
  For more info call Margaret at 466-6306.

29 SATURDAY

- **Softball**
  vs. Sanata Clara; Noon.
- **Greek Week**
  Football; 7-10 p.m., Soccer Fields.

30 SUNDAY

- **Greek Week**
  Softball; Noon-5 p.m., Soccer Fields.
- **"An Evening with Violinist Robin Sharp"**
  CSUS professor who was formerly with the San Francisco Symphony;
  7:30 p.m., Music Recital Hall; $10/$6 Students;
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1 MONDAY

May 1-5

- **2nd Annual Chicano Art Festival**
  La Ala Rebelde Del Royal Chicano Air Force;
  8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Multi Cultural Center, Library; For more info call 278-6101.
- **CSUS Percussion Group**
  8 p.m., Music Recital Hall; $6/$4 Students & Seniors;
  For more info call 278-4323 or BASS.
- **CSUS Lecture: "What to Do About Taxing Electronic Commerce in the U.S.?"**
  Terri Sexton, economics, public policy spring colloquium; 4-5:30 p.m., U.U. Oak Rm., For more info call 278-6557.
- **Pre-Health Professional Student Organization-Advising Session**
  5-7 p.m., MND 1003; For more info call Glyn Mendoza at 482-2750.

2 TUESDAY

- **CSUS Saxophone Quartet**
  8 p.m., Music Recital Hall; $6/$4 Students; For more info call 278-4323.
- **Adelante 2000**
  Works of Northern California Artistsas;
  Reception: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Multi-Cultural Center, Library; For more info call 278-6156.

3 WEDNESDAY

- **"Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me"**
  Free Outdoor Movie;
  7:30 p.m., Residence Halls Lawn.
- **CSUS Liberece Woodwind Quintet**
  8 p.m., Music Recital Hall; $6/$4 Students; For more info call 278-4323 or BASS.

4 THURSDAY

May 4-7, 11-14

- **"Fen"**
  Playwright's Theatre (Shasta Hall);
  $10 general, $7 student & seniors, $6 children;
  For more info call 278-6604.
- **"Cinco de Mayo Celebracion"**
  Maraichis, Mechete and Aztec Dance & Folklorico;
  11:30 a.m., U.U. Redwood.
- **Greek Week**
  Greek Sing; 6-10 p.m., Location TBA.
- **"QM Correlations in Disordered Systems"**
  Jorge Talamantes, CSU Bakersfield, astronomy & physics spring colloquium;
  4 p.m., MND 1015; For more info call 278-6518.
- **Sac Ballroom Dance Club**
  Int. Rumba, 7 p.m.;
  Beg. Waltz, 7:50 p.m.
  No Experience Needed!

5 FRIDAY

Cinco de Mayo

- **Baseball**
  vs. Cal Poly; 2 p.m.

May 5-7, 11-13

- **"The Marriage of Figaro"**
  CSUS Opera Theatre;
  8 p.m., University Theatre; $8/$5 students.
- **"Africans in the Americans: Past, Present & Future,"**
  Ali Mazrui, Binghampton University humanities professor, Visiting Scholars Series; 10:30 a.m., U.U. Redwood Rm.; For more info call 278-6156.
- **Renaissance Society of CSUS**
  Censored! The Years Most Unreported News Stories;
  3 p.m., MND 1005; For parking & other info call 278-7834.

6 SATURDAY

- **Baseball**
  vs. Cal Poly; 2 p.m.

7 SUNDAY

- **Baseball**
  vs. Cal Poly; 1 p.m.

8 MONDAY

- **Student Open Forums: "Are We To Sensitive"**
  Noon - 1:30 p.m., U.U. Oak Rm.

May 8-25

- **Student Purchase Award Show**
  Juried student art exhibit; U.U. Exhibit Lounge;
  Reception/Awards: Thurs. May 11, 6-8 a.m.

9 TUESDAY

- **Baseball**
  vs. San Francisco; 2 p.m.

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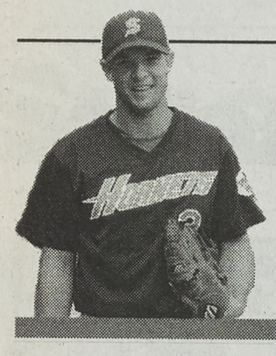
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Hit the break

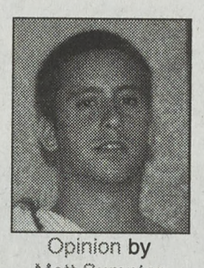
Spring Break is over. No more tan, sand, and sweat for another five weeks. No more Lake Havasu or stripping down in the middle of the night to drunkenly dive into the ocean with two girls you've never met.

Finals week. Essays. Research. Crap.

Some of us here at Sac State continued to be committed with Hornet pride over the break.

Softball, baseball, track and rowing all met and competed to represent all their drunk and naked counterparts. How was the beach?

Ask the teams; they wish they knew. They are praying for the end of the seasons like sorority girls pray for an even tan.



Opinion by Matt Sumpter

However, one amazing thing happened over the break.

Three Sac State football players signed free-agent contracts with NFL teams.

Jon Osterhout, Tim Conley and Lonie Paxton will all go to mini-camps this week.

The big time. The real deal.

The New England Patriots, the Seattle Seahawks and the New York Giants think Sac State is putting together a pretty decent football program.

With a returning squad featuring the likes of Charles Roberts, and perhaps Ricky Ray and Anthony Daisley, next year's draft time looks to be another thing of beauty.

The NFL. All the burgers you can eat.

The total of three NFL Hornets matches the previous total from coach John Volek's five-year reign. Daimon Shelton and Tony Corbin went in 1996. Tyrone Taylor went pro in 1997.

To have three go at the same time tells the story of the Volek era. Passion for football and Hornet pride. Awesome.

But…

The national pastime has suffered as of late.

The baseball team has dropped to fifth place in the Big West Conference with a record of 10-8 and 16-24 overall. Junior infielder Carlos Morales is 13th in the Big West with a .357 batting average.

The softball team has a better overall record at 20-21, but has struggled in conference play to a record of 5-13. Freshman pitcher and first baseman Jillian Bivert is fifth in the Big West with a .339 batting average.

There has been few shining spots in the weeks past. Tough break. Tough spring break for both teams.

Changes…

Sac State has become a very different place, preparing for the Olympic Trials. The south side of campus has undergone a facelift, and the upcoming trials will only be good for the campus.

Hosting the trials is a once in a lifetime opportunity for Sac State and Sacramento as a whole. It will bring publicity and noteriety to the campus.

Recruitment.

Possibilities.

Sac State now has a very competetive track and field site and may be on the verge of becoming a very competitive track and field team with the new additions.

The final seconds of play…

In these last days of the school year, go to a game. Put down the books, shut off the computer and get outside for the sanity of all students. Games are still free with your OneCard and they are outside in the beautiful weather and not a stuffy classroom.

Plus, it's not football season, so no half-naked frat guys with pierced nipples and greasy hair. Only pure sport and sunshine.

Sports are good.

Reading and stuff is good too, but sports are better.

These weeks before the end of school are only a small fraction of life and there is no sense in killing yourself or stressing out over preparing for finals. Revert. Go outside and play.

Hornet pride.

Three Hornets enter National Football League

Osterhout, Conley, and Paxton picked up as free agents after being bypassed during draft

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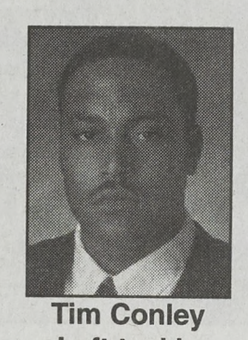
A trio of Sac State offensive linemen—tackle Tim Conley, guard Jon Osterhout and guard/long snapper Lonie Paxton—signed contracts with NFL teams, it was announced last Wednesday.

Conley, a native of Santa Monica, who competed at the Hula Bowl this past year, signed a two-year deal with the Seattle Seahawks. The 6-foot-7, 300-pound left tackle will report to mini-camp tomorrow.

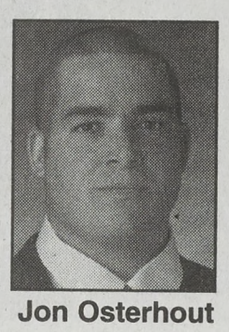
"As soon as the draft ended, five NFL teams were on the phone to me," Conley said. "While I'm like everybody else and would have liked to have been drafted, it has worked out pretty well. Anyone picked in the sixth or seventh round has to fight to make a team and, at least in my case, I was able to choose which team gave me the best opportunity to compete at the next level."

Paxton, a native of Corona, who played right guard and was the Hornets' long snapper for four years, signed a one-year deal with the New England Patriots. Paxton, who was contacted by four NFL teams on Sunday, joins an NFL team that cut its starting long snapper (Mike Bartum) three days prior to the draft. The 6-foot-3, 285-pound Paxton will also attend mini-camp beginning tomorrow.

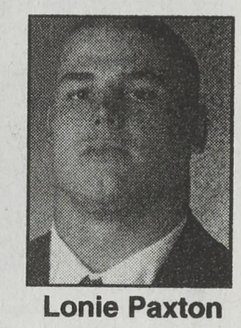
Osterhout, a member of the 1999 Associated Press and The Sports Network All-America teams as the Hornets' starting left guard, agreed to terms on a one-year deal with the New York Giants. He reported to mini-camp on Wednesday. The 6-foot-4, 290-pound native of Roseville was a starter at Sac State in all four years and was selected by his teammates as the squad's MVP following the 1999 season.



Tim Conley
Left tackle



Jon Osterhout
Left guard



Lonie Paxton
Long snapper, right guard

Lucky Stars

When a scholarship athlete is knocked out of play by injury, there is no guarantee that the "full ride" will continue. Here is the story of three such Hornets.

Sam Amick
State Hornet

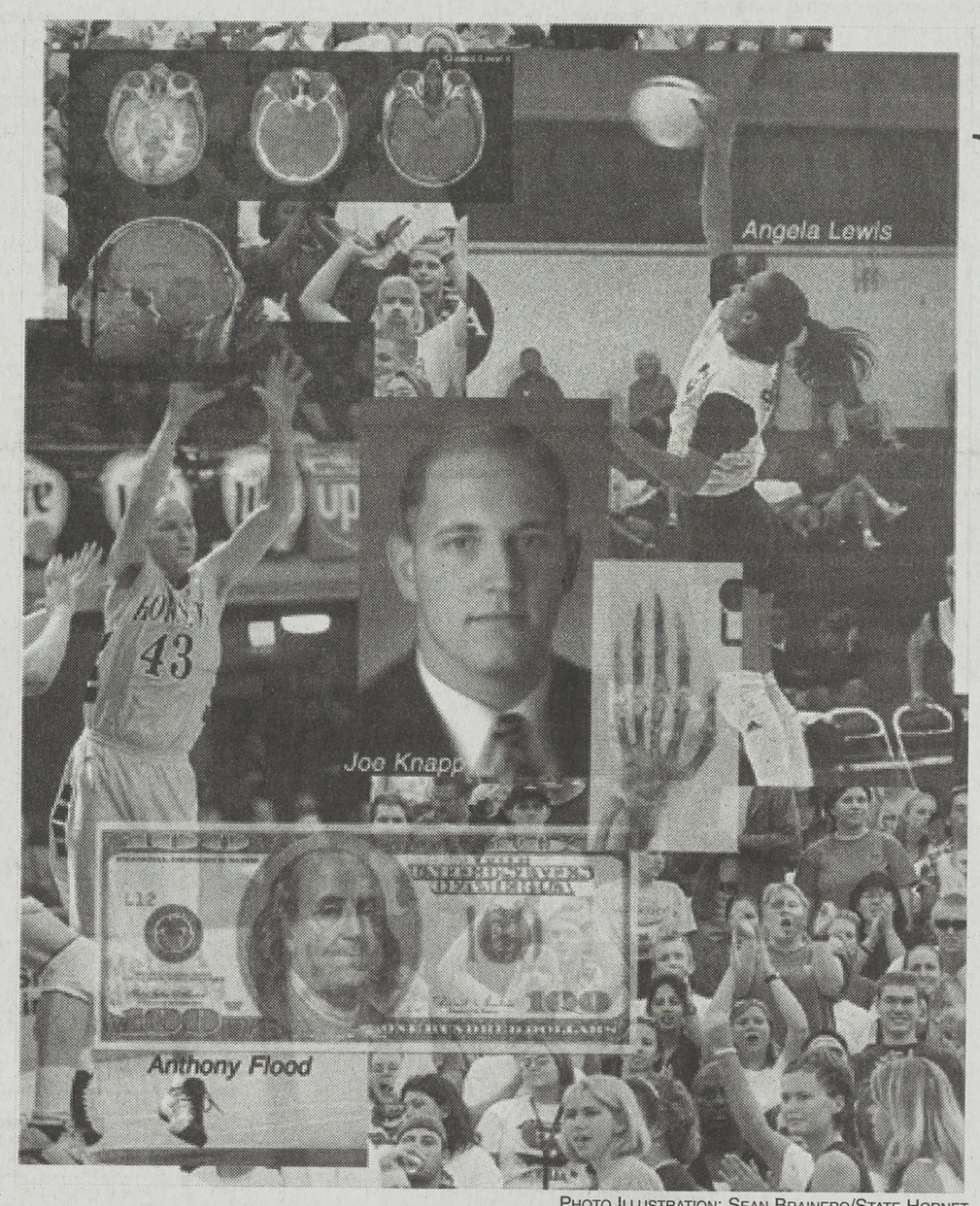


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Joe was a man of the trenches. He wasn't some pretty boy receiver or even a wannabe football player posing as a kicker. No, this man was a tight end. And every Friday during his years at Ygnacio Valley High in Concord, Joe would do the dirty work on the offensive line, laying vicious blocks to pave the way for speedy running backs. It was an all-around type of job, though, so coach also went his way when passing plays were the plan of attack—running through the heart of middle linebacker territory, stretching high for the pigskin football and exposing his midsection to all those hungry to punish. You'd think if he was going to get hurt, it would be during battle, between the chalked lines on the grassy field. That's why he never saw it coming. Joe Knapp, who earned all-league honors three times in his high school days, was a redshirt freshman tight end for the Sac State Hornets. In late April of 1998, after experiencing double vision, vomiting and severe headaches, Joe discovered that he had a brain tumor. This full-ride scholarship athlete was only five days from playing his first competitive game at Sac State in the Green-and-Gold scrimmage, but that was as close as he would get.

Before Knapp even competed for Sac State, and after they promised him a free education in exchange for athletic ability, there was now a bump in the road. As captain of a struggling football program, head football coach John Volek knew that scholarships were like gold if he was ever to turn things around. Lord knows the whole city was breathing down his neck for a winning team, or at least one that wasn't laughable. In that season of 1998, following a second straight one-win campaign, Volek used 51 scholarships, a somewhat tawdry amount considering that bowl contenders must have at least 60 scholarship players. And according to NCAA regulations, Volek was able to pull Knapp's scholarship after one year had passed, making more room for much-needed talent on his intensely scrutinized squad. But Knapp's medical problem was obviously not self-induced and was of the utmost severity. Frankly, life had just dealt the kid a pretty rough hand, so who wants to make his problems worse by repealing the education? Knapp became a team assistant, helping with every kind of odds or ends to benefit the Hornets. Now a sophomore, he continues to study on scholarship at Sac State while also receiving treatment for the tumor.

Welcome to the world of seldom-understood scholarships. Sports fan or not, lend an ear, because the issue is hollering for attention. Why? Big money (and if you're a student, your money) is spent so barely-adult boys and girls can live out their athletic dreams—be it on the football field, basketball court, baseball diamond or rowing lane. In 1999, Sac State, of which the athletics program is notorious for underachievement, spent $1,502,894 on athletics scholarships. Of that total, the women's programs receive $29,504 more than the men's programs–$766,199 to $736,695. This is due in large part to the gender equity law, Title IX, as well as the 1993 CAL-NOW consent decree. Yet these numbers aren't even the largest in the Big Sky Conference. Sac State rival Northern Arizona University spends $1,983,890 per year on 187.1 athletics scholarships. We'll call all of this 'convincing money,' and the convincing process usually looks something like this: "Hey, you're good. Play on my team. Oh, come on, I'll pay for your school, your books, your food, your rent, just join my squad." But while the Hornet athletics program continues to grow, it is still miniscule in comparison to the "Big Boy" schools. Take, for example, another Northern California institution, UC Berkeley. In 1998-99, the Cal Bears distributed $3,791,178 to 403 student-athletes, two and half times the amount spent by Sac State and the equivalent of 226 full-ride scholarships. Yet even Cal sizes up small against a monster athletics program like the University of Nebraska, which grants 308 full-ride equivalencies. So with all this money floating around, it seems the principle of it all may be lost. The idea behind scholarships, in the beginning, was to exchange athletic ability for an education and possibly living expenses. But what happens when the athletes can't hold up their ends of the deals? What happens when a player twists a knee, breaks a leg, or falls victim to a

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Men's tennis upset in Big Sky Championships

Vince Faiola
State Hornet

Entering the Big Sky Tournament, the Sac State men's tennis team was undefeated in conference play and heavily favored to win the Big Sky Championship in Pocatello, ID on Saturday. But that is why they play the games, as the Hornets dropped the championship match 4-2 and Montana State moved on to the NCAA Championships.

The Hornets claimed their third straight regular season Big Sky title with a record of 17-9, while the Bobcats entered tournament play with a .500 record (10-10), but peaked during the championship tournament.

"Looking at their record, I wasn't considering Montana State for championship play," coach Chris Evers said. "But they played well and got hot at the right time. I just think nerves and experience got to us."

The pivotal moment of the series came in the final match for the doubles point. Having already split the first two doubles matches, the Hornets' No. 1 doubles team of Fabio Jesus and Kevin Vieira opened up 5-0 lead. The Hornets had two match points before succumbing to the Bobcats 9-7 and losing the doubles point.

"The whole match was probably decided by four points, it was that close," Evers

See **TENNIS**, p.B6

Rowing wrap-up

Team beats Barry, takes WIRAs, gets new recruit

Keith Reid
State Hornet

Coming off a big win at the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association, the Sac State women's rowing team returned to dual meet action on Friday as they beat Barry University by 21 seconds at the CSUS aquatic center.

With the 6:54:8 to 7:16:3 win, the team took its fourth-straight dual meet victory, and the No. 20-ranked Hornets varsity eight improved its record to 7-1 overall. The only loss was to North Carolina on March 16.

"The competition went very well," coach Bill Zack said. "It's unusual to take a meet with that margin of victory, but they (Barry University) are a Division II program that is building."

Barry, currently ranked No. 8 in the Division II/III coaches poll, was mainly in town to face UC Davis in Division II action on Saturday. But the team also scheduled a dual meet against Sac State at the Aquatic Center to find out what the higher level of competition tastes like.

"They were really here to face Davis, who is a top quality Division II team." Zack said. "They're really an up-and-coming program, new to rowing. They have a new coach who is in his second year there and they're doing what lots of programs do, they're getting their boats out on the water against some faster boats."

Although Barry University is a bit inexperienced, and Sac State a much stronger team, it was not a competition that the Sac State

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Cuckovich offers relief for Hornets



Sarah Sieber/State Hornet

Freshman pitcher Steve Cuckovich has made an immediate impact for the Hornets, posting a 4-1 record as the middle reliever. He has a 2.31 ERA in Big West play.

Jawid Dastagirzada
State Hornet

Growing up playing baseball his entire life, Sac State baseball freshman pitcher Steve Cuckovich is hoping to someday play professional ball.

"I played the sport of baseball since the day I took my first step," Cuckovich said. "It's possible for me to play professional ball, which will be a dream."

Cuckovich, 19, is the oldest child in his family, and not only does he play his role on the field, but he also acts as the role model in the household. Cuckovich's younger brother, Mel Jr., is a sophomore playing baseball for Christian Brothers High School. From father to son, each male member in the family is in some way connected to the game of baseball. Mel Cuckovich Sr., 47, was drafted out of high school and took a baseball scholarship to Oregon State.

"I will love to follow my father's footsteps," Cuckovich said. "Even though he didn't make it to the pros, just knowing he was a great player helps motivate me."

During the years when Cuckovich attended Christian Brothers High School, he was a well developed athletic star. He played baseball and football all four years and basketball for two years. As a football player Cuckovich was the quarterback and he was a power forward in basketball, but his favorite sport was baseball.

"When I was playing high school baseball, I was considered the utility player," Cuckovich said. "I was their No. 1 pitcher, and I pitched for all four years, but I was also used for other positions, which helped develop my game."

Since this is his first year playing ball in college, many people were surprised by the success Cuckovich has displayed on the field. However, head coach John Smith said he knew Cuckovich had great talent.

"What's impressed me the most in Steve is the tremendous adjustment from going from the high school to the four-year (game)," Smith said. "He's been able to perform at a very high degree of excellence and hasn't been rattled or fazed. It's impressive for a freshman to do what he has done."

During the recruitment process, Cuckovich received many letters and phone calls from other campuses, but he came to Sac State for two reasons.

"Coaches had a big part in me choosing Sac State," Cuckovich said. "The coaches are great and a real pleasure to play for. I also wanted to stay close to home and have the opportunity to play Division I-AA baseball."

Cuckovich has become a major factor to the team's success.

Before the season began, Sac State was chosen to be in last place in the Big West Conference, along with New Mexico State. But with the help of great pitching by Cuckovich, the Hornets are near the top with an overall record of 16-24, and 10-8 in conference play.

"It's great being part of the 'Cinderella' story," Cuckovich said. "It's nice to prove people wrong. We have nothing to lose, but only gain by proving people wrong."

The Hornets mix of players on this year's roster has produced favorable results.

"I think we have a real good team chemistry," Cuckovich said. "We play real well together, and we all are on the same page. They are the type of guys who enjoy being out there to play, and it's not like a choir."

Cuckovich has stepped in to fill an important role for this year's squad.

"He's been our stopper in the middle of the games," Smith said. "He stops the bleeding, sets the tempo, takes control of the game and shuts it down."

He has a record of 4-1 with an ERA of 6.68 in overall games.

"I am glad to be able to help the team," Cuckovich said. "This is not something I didn't think I couldn't do, but I am also glad to be part of the team."

Throughout forty games of play, Cuckovich has given up 37 hits and 23 earned runs, and has thrown 19 strikeouts.

"Steve has been our main relief guy," senior shortstop Jesse Krebs said. "I like it when he pitches because he gets real fired up out there and he is a real competitor. He also shows great will to win, which has impressed me a lot."

In conference play Cuckovich has a 2-0 record with an era of 2.31.

"Steve's not afraid at all and he's one of the more mature freshman players I have ever seen," junior center fielder Aurelio Jackson said. "He has developed a good change up since being in this program."

As a freshman, Cuckovich has earned the respect of his coaches and teammates.

"He has shown that he can play at this level," senior right fielder Jimmy McFarland said. "He's only going to get better from here on out, and he will get better with experience, mentally and physically. He definitely has the potential to become a great player as a senior."

With all of his goals and accomplishments waiting to be achieved, Cuckovich has shown his ability to play the game with great leadership.

"We feel he is going to be a key player in our program," Smith said. "There is a good possibility that Steve might be our starting pitcher next year, it just depends on how he fits in the scheme of things. He will be a huge player for this team."

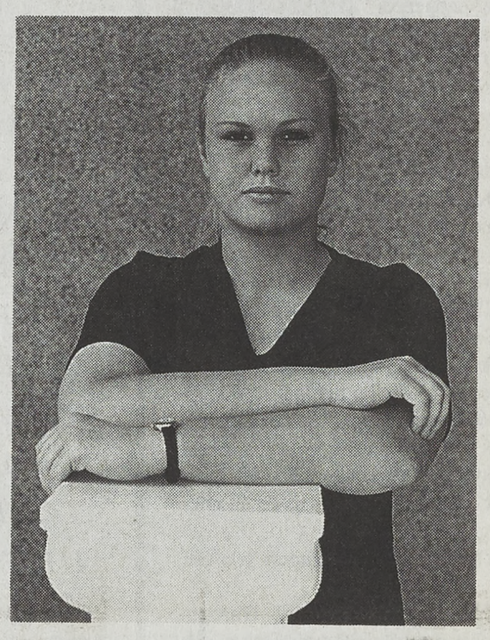
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Jackie Hotchkiss
Track and Field

Jackie Hotchkiss, a senior from San Jose, California, recorded the team's best distance in the discus this season with a mark of 148-feet, 3-inches at the Brutus Hamilton Memorial Invitational in Berkeley, California. Her mark was not only a personal best during her Hornet career, but is also the third-best mark in school history. A child development major at Sacramento State who carries a 3.065 grade point average, Hotchkiss has already qualified to compete in the Big Sky Conference outdoor track and field championships, May 17-20 in Sacramento.

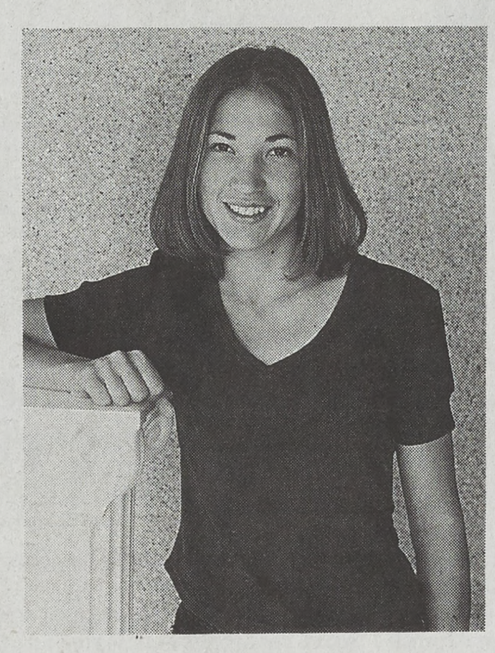


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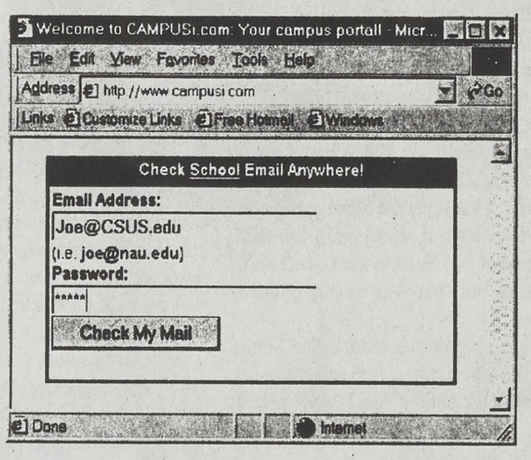
Tina Limon, a freshman from Galt, California, posted the second-fastest time ever recorded by a Hornet freshman in the 1,500 meters with a time of 4:43.53 at the Brutus Hamilton Invitational in Berkeley, California. Limon placed seventh overall in the race at a meet that featured teams from throughout the region as well as from Wake Forest, The Ohio State, the University of Washington and athletes from Japan and Taiwan. A biology major with a 3.836 GPA, Limon has already qualified to compete in the Big Sky Conference outdoor track and field championships, May 17-20 in Sacramento.



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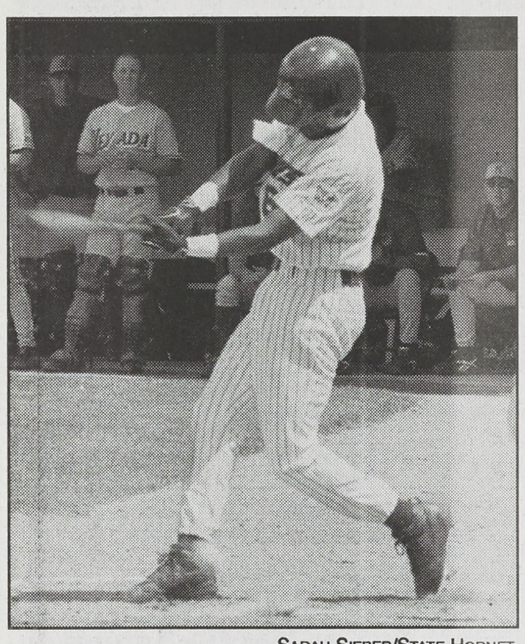
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Junior center fielder Aurelio Jackson recorded four hits and four runs in the Hornets series over the weekend. Nevada swept the series.

JAWID DASTAGIRZADA
State Hornet

For the first time in the 2000 season, the Sac State baseball team lost a conference series as the Hornets were swept by the University of Nevada last weekend.

Nevada defeated Sac State 7-3 on Friday, 5-3 on Saturday and finished the series with a 10-8 victory on Sunday.

The losses dropped the Hornets' overall record to 16-24 and 10-8 in Big West Conference play.

"Offensively we didn't have our way as we did in the past weekends," Smith said. "Defensively they had us positioned real good."

Game one featured great pitching by Nevada's pitcher Chad Qualls, who pitched the entire game giving up six hits and three runs, and throwing seven strike-outs. Qualls pitched a no-hitter through six innings of play and earned his eighth victory of the year.

"They had outstanding pitching," coach John Smith said. "They were great at pitching and shutting us down."

Sac State was shutout 5-0 through seven innings of play. The Wolf Pack added two more runs in top of the eighth, giving them a seven run cushion. The Hornets scored three runs in the bottom of the eighth, but it was too little, too late.

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>
> **John Smith**
> **Baseball coach**

Nevada boosted its record to 27-14 overall and 11-7 in conference play.

The second game was closer, but with a two-run eighth inning the Wolf Pack took the lead for good.

"Nevada has a good team," junior center fielder Aurelio Jackson said. "We'll have to be a little more aggressive and hopefully we can come out with a win."

Sac State started the game red-hot. With one man on base, junior Carlos Morales clobbered a two-run home run, giving the Hornets a 2-0 lead. Nevada was leading by one through seven innings of play when they scored twice in the eighth, giving them a 5-2 lead.

The Hornets tried to get back in the game when senior Jesse Krebs brought home Jackson on a sacrifice fly, but it was not enough again as the Wolf Pack pulled out the victory.

The third game was a high scoring battle as both teams combined for 18 runs.

"When you give up five home runs it's tough to win," Smith said. "Things didn't go our way this weekend even though we played hard."

Cuckovich said the sweep wasn't without value.

"We were hitting the ball real well," Cuckovich said. "We had a couple of big innings, but it was not enough to win the game. This loss is not discouraging, but we will only learn from it and take it into the next series."

Sac State will play host to Pacific this weekend, as they try to recover from this series.

"Hopefully we can bounce back and win the series," Smith said.

Softball loses series to University of Pacific

RUSS EDMONDSON
State Hornet

Hornets freshman Jillian Bivert pulled a three-run home run to right field with two outs in the bottom of the last inning. In the same game, senior Amy Barker pitched a complete game for Sac State and allowed no earned runs.

Despite this, Pacific defeated the Hornets 4-3 on Friday, scoring only unearned runs in the first game of a three-game series. The Hornets regrouped later in the day to split a doubleheader with the Tigers before losing the finale 5-0 on Saturday afternoon. The last loss dropped the Hornets' record to 20-21, and 5-13 in the Big West Conference.

"Bivert hits a three-run shot—for not," Hornets coach Kathy Strahan said.

In the second game, Sac State outlasted Pacific in eight innings, hanging on for a 5-4 win. Following the victory, Strahan talked about her team climbing back to .500 and regaining consistency.

"This is big," Strahan said about the win. "But we've taken step forward and step back." Hornets freshman Gina Steenburgen and Barker allowed the Tigers eight hits in the win. Steenburgen also got hits in both her at bats. Hornets catcher Patty Villa went 2-for-3, driving in her 15th run, trailing only Bivert for the team lead.

Villa has played most of the season because of a knee injury to senior catcher Jenny O'Leary, who is out for the year.

"I am so disappointed for her, she had done so much in the first three years," Strahan said about O'Leary. "She is one of the top catchers in the country."

Sophomore Meghan Cunningham gave Sac State a 2-1 lead with a two-run double to left-center in the first inning. Sac State led 4-3 in the top of the seventh when Hornet senior Andrea Franchi fielded a single in right field and gunned out Pacific's Natalie Farmer for the second out of the inning. The Tigers scored a run later in the inning to send the game into the eighth.

Franchi led off with a walk and second baseman Nicole Friery followed with a single. Barker, with two at bats in four years to this point, then bunted the runners to second and third with one out. Strahan was impressed with her sacrifice.

"She's really not a hitter and there she is in that spot," Strahan said. "She doesn't take cuts in batting practice."

With two outs, senior outfielder Sarah Cunningham drove in Franchi for the winning run with a base hit to the left side.

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Track and field team turning heads

Thai team, numerous Olympians test Hornet field in Invitational

Antonio R. Harvey
State Hornet

Hornet Field has been the center stage for several high-profile track and field meets this spring.

More than 600 athletes participated in the Bruce Drummond Invitational Saturday in order to get a feel for a facility that will carry the Olympic Trials in July.

World-class athletes such as Suzy Powell, Jackie Edwards, Sheila Hudson, Eugene Swift, Aretha Hill and Michael Stember gave the Invitational plenty of exposure.

In addition, Thailand's track and field team graced the track for the third time this spring.

"There were a lot of major players here Saturday," Hornets track and field coach Joe Neff said. "Everyone was coming up to me and saying 'thank you for the invitations, you have a great facility, we'd love to come back.' I got the feeling that this was the only show in town."

Neff also said the meet attracted an unexpected visitor.

"I was surprised Debby (Colberg) was here," he said Sac State's athletics director. "It shows just how supportive she is."

In some areas, the Invitational proved to be a catalyst for Hornets trying to hit their peaks. The women's 4x100-meter relay team of Crystal Watson, Rosalyn Morris, Myesha Kirtman and Joni David ran a time of 46.03 seconds.

Assistant coach Mike Gipson said the women's mark is second in the Big Sky Conference.

"They are getting better," Gipson said, "but there are still some minor things they have to work out."

Morris won the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 59.92. Earlier, she bailed out of the 100-meter hurdles by the time she reached the third hurdle.

"I got a good start out the blocks," Morris said. "When I got to the (third) hurdle I just didn't know what to do."

Windi Selle, Jackie Hotchkiss and Monica Crawford placed third, fourth and fifth, respectively in the hammer throw. Selle threw the hammer 161-2 for another school record.

Tina Limon ran a time of 4:40.32 in the 1500-meter run for a fifth place finish. The freshman has impressed the coaching staff since she overcame an illness last September during the cross-country season.

"She had a lung infection and we had to redshirt her for cross country and the indoor season," Neff said. "Right now she's getting close to becoming the best freshman in school history in that event."

In the pole vault, Iran Serrano qualified to compete in the Big Sky Conference Outdoor Championship with a height of 10-6.

"She definitely earned it," teammate Tracy Dahl said of Serrano. "She works hard in practice just like the everyone else."

In the men's events, James Sumner long jumped 23-5 for a fourth-place finish. The Hornets also regained the service of Lamont Webb for the 4x100-meter relay. Webb, who had missed some time while participating in football's spring training, helped the Hornets relay team to a time of 46.03—the best mark of the season.

"Lamont is back and he will be the lead-off man," Gipson said.

The men's relay team has pieced together different combinations during the outdoor season.

Despite all of the movement in personnel, Tony Galaviz and Jonathan Davis have been the mainstays. Davis, a freshman, said it hasn't interfered with his performance.

"I try not to let it bother me," Davis said. "I know we are going to get it together and when it's all said and done—we will win conference."

In addition to his performance in the meets, Davis said it is practice that gives him a competitive edge.

"Right now, I'm blessed," he said. "I know I'm just a freshman, but the experience makes me work harder and I know I will get better—I can only get better."

Did You Know?

• Canadian Jo Jo Cooper is one second off of qualifying for Canada's Olympic Trials in the 800-meter.

• If Joni David qualifies in the 100-meter dash, she can also compete on the Canadian Olympic team. Her father is a Canadian.

Gipson said she hasn't bought the idea of competing in the 2000 Olympics.

"She hasn't shown the desire," he said. "I still have to sell it to her."

• Claiming dual-citizenship, the Hornets hurdles coach, Yvonne Scott, is Japan's national champion in the 100-meter hurdles and will compete for the country after completing a series of track meets.

SOFTBALL: Strahan uses Cunningham at her request, she starts all three games vs. Pacific

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"Mentally, I just said I was going to get it done," Cunningham said. "I told coach (last week) to put me in at designated player; to give me a chance, and she did."

Strahan listened to Cunningham and started her in all three games versus Pacific.

"She is a lot of heart and soul. (She) picks up the atmosphere a couple of notches," Strahan said. "She is a tough out because she puts the ball in play."

In the final game, Pacific's Cindy Ball retired the first 19 Hornets before Franchi broke up her perfect game in the last of the seventh inning with a single.

Barker relieved Steenburgen in the first inning with the Hornets down 4-0 and pitched the remainder of the game, allowing only four hits, in the 5-0 loss.

On Saturday, the Hornets will host Santa Clara in a doubleheader at noon at Shea Stadium. Sunday, Saint Mary's will visit Shea Stadium in a make up of a doubleheader that was rained out in February.

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SCHOLARSHIPS: Teams forced to use two scholarships in recruiting out-of-state athletes

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career-ending, or maybe even life-threatening, injury?

Like Joe, Angela was fairly new to the Sac State campus. Following four prosperous years at Bella Vista high school—in education and sport—she was persuaded by Sac State volleyball head coach Debby Colberg to don the Hornet attire in her collegiate career. Angela, a fierce 5-foot-10 outside hitter, was recruited by UC Santa Barbara, Arkansas and Santa Clara, and best known for pounding kills down the throats of opponents. And she was a winner. Bella Vista had won the Sac-Joaquin Section Title her junior year, and the team took league titles in both her junior and senior seasons.

But Angela got only 53 days into her freshman year at Sac State before disaster struck. For weeks, she had suffered from extremely painful headaches and was often brought to tears as the ceaseless, inexplicable pounding in her head persisted. So, at the recommendation of her mother, Angela got a Magnetic Resonance Imaging exam. Hoping for the best but preparing for the worst, she listened as the doctors at Sacramento's Diagnostic Radiological Imaging Center disclosed the MRI results, "You have either an aneurysm or a tumor," they told her. She was rushed to the University of California hospital in San Francisco. There, Angela Lewis' life was saved by an experimental, non-FDA approved procedure that clotted the blood surrounding what turned out to be an aneurysm. She spent more than three months in the hospital, missed the remainder of her freshman season and returned to play as a sophomore.

Yet before her return, for that period of almost a year, Debby Colberg was unsure whether Lewis, an invaluable part of her team, would ever play competitive volleyball again. And unfortunately, in the compassionless world of scholarships, Lewis was just a number. The fact of the matter was that, with her medical problem, Lewis put $8,000 of Colberg's near $120,000 budget on ice. She took up one of 15 precious scholarships. Yet maybe in a different university, or at a different time, or with a different player, the scholarship gets rebuked. But this time, Colberg bit the financial bullet.

"There was no way that I would take her scholarship away," said Colberg, who is not only Sac State's volleyball coach but also the athletics director.

Lewis recovered, made an inspiring return to the court and helped the Hornets to three straight Big Sky regular season championships as well as three NCAA Tournament appearances. Colberg's compassionate approach resulted in newfound Sac State success.

The issue is not only intriguing, but somewhat pressing. When a player goes down injured, at Sac State there is no written policy on what is to be done, or how the situation is to be handled. For the athletes, that high-risk fact creates a potentially uneasy situation. Further complicating things, when scholarship offers are made to athletes during the recruiting season, they are not guaranteed a four-year scholarship. NCAA requirements stipulate that all scholarships are renewed on a yearly basis, so when coaches promise four-plus years of free education and living mixed in with a collegiate sports career, the most they're realistically offering is a recommendation.

"All you can tell them is that it is your intent to recommend that the scholarship is renewed every year and that the financial aid awarding authority has never not followed our recommendation," women's rowing head coach Bill Zack said.

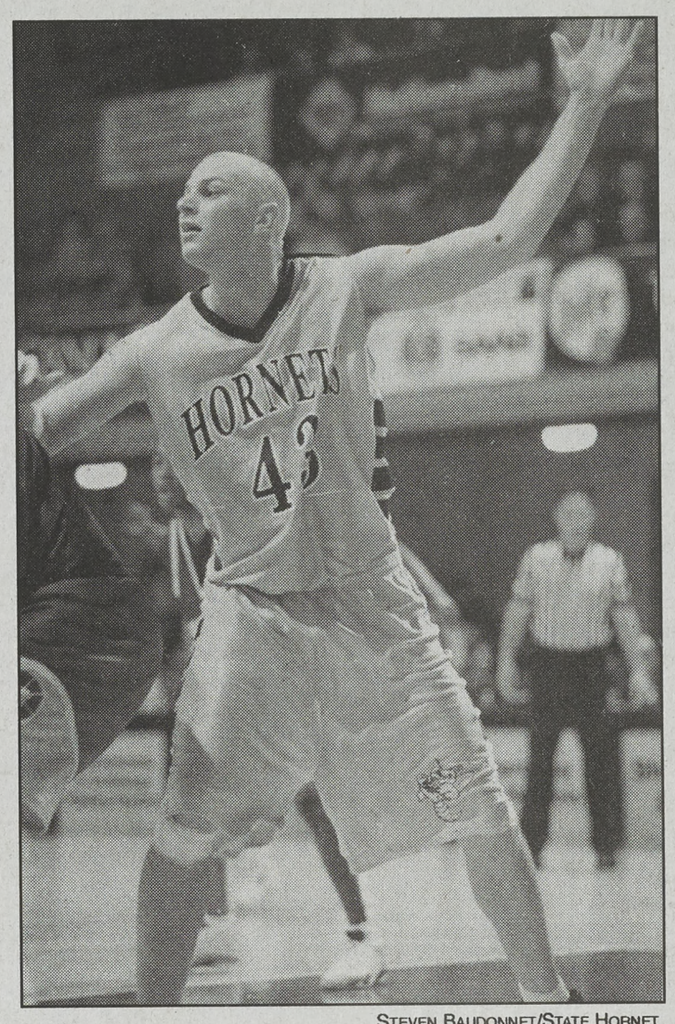
How Sac State chooses to treat its injured players is policy to some, and a beneficial business tactic to others. Either way, the university strives to gain that trustworthy reputation as a recruiter in the athletics world. If by word of mouth, high school or junior college players hear about Sac State as a school willing to quickly pull a scholarship, the recruiting process becomes more challenging and the program as a whole suffers. "The school policy, which is over and above what the NCAA demands, is that we won't cancel a player's scholarship because someone got injured," Zack says. Colberg, however, calls that practice more a conscious choice than a by-the-book procedure. "I don't know that there is any policy on that; I think it would depend on how the player was injured. If it's something that didn't have anything to do with us (Sac State), it's just an 'act of God' sort of event, then you don't just end their scholarship that minute. You give a decent amount of time for them to adjust to the fact that they won't be getting a scholarship."

Still, from coaches to A.D.s, these folks are shuffling a confusing deck of cards. Each team cries for more scholarships to push their group toward success.

"The NCAA allows us to have 20 scholarships," Zack says, "but we are financially limited to 15."

But not only are programs often under-funded at Sac State, there exists an unproductive yet necessary system when recruiting out-of-state athletes. The university charges California residents $972.50 per semester for 6.1 or more units. The non-resident tuition, which seems an obvious attempt to localize the college, is $246 per unit each semester. You want a stud basketball player from Arizona? Fine, but it'll cost you. For each out-of-state athlete, the respective team is charged the equivalent of two scholarships to pick up the increased tuition bill. It is compromising circumstances such as these that up the ante on the precious value of scholarships. And while in utopian style, the coach is always forgiving and compassionate in handling the injured players' future, the decision isn't always an easy one. Former women's basketball coach Sue Huffman says the player's effort level factors in, "If a player gets injured, and they choose not to rehabilitate, then the scholarship is taken away. But if they have surgery and have to sit out a year, then I'll pay for their education. These girls depend on me to go to school, so if you start yanking them around, you're playing with their future." Huffman, who is also allotted 15 scholarships on her team, says a player's life-threatening injury presents a dilemma. "I would honor the scholarship if they had a life-threatening condition, but I can only say that now that I have 15 scholarships. [Pulling a scholarship] could happen. I would have to look at family background and if they need our financial assistance. If life is dealing them a bad blow, why make it worse?"

The fact that it could happen is enough to keep the hundreds of Sac State scholarship athletes on edge. Without the benefit of a set-in-stone procedure, all the athletes can do is cross their fingers. They can thank their lucky stars or do anything else that may ward off the one type of injury where, in the blink of an eye, the scholarship is gone—seized by the school as quickly as it was given. As Huffman says, the situation often dictates the reaction. Much is left to chance when dealing in college athletics.



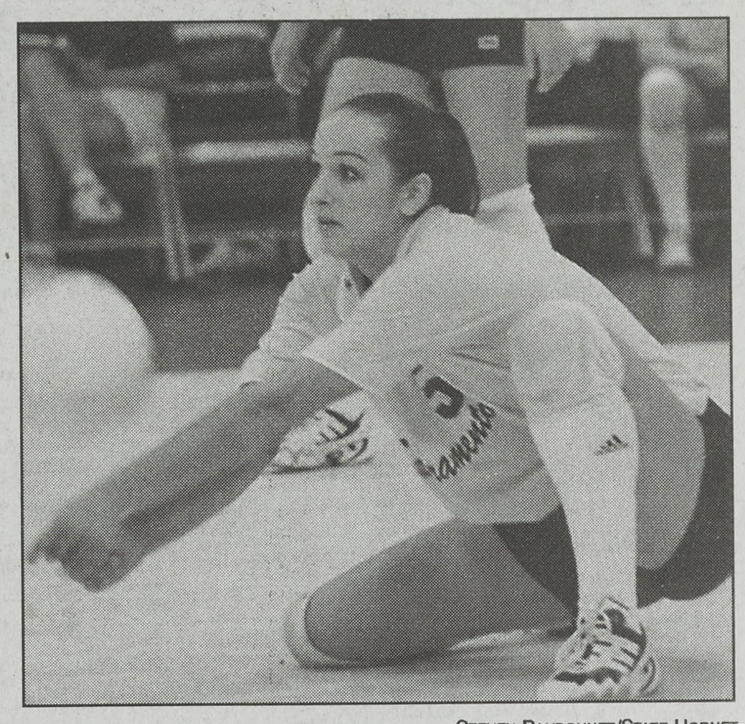
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Anthony Flood uses his scholarship to fund his education. Upon graduation, he will be the first Flood to earn a degree.

Anthony was a little older, but in 1998 he was still somewhat of a rookie at Sac State. At Oakmont High School, back in '95, he averaged 17 points and 11 rebounds for the basketball team, was elected first-team all state and was named the Capital Athletic League's Most Valuable Player. Just 18 and recently graduated, he offered his services to local Sierra Junior College. There, he was voted to the all-California Community College men's basketball team after a sophomore season in which he averaged 17 points and 11.5 rebounds. The jump to college ball had hardly slowed his domination on the court. But just before Anthony's transfer to Sac State, his life became just a tad more complex. Anthony Flood's girlfriend, Kaydee, gave birth to baby Quinten, a boy. As food and bills took prominence over boards and jumpshots, Flood's full-ride scholarship became a bit more important. Nine games into his inaugural season as a Hornet, he had to take a seat after the pain from a nagging foot injury became too much to handle. Once examined, doctors told him he had broken his second metatarsal. He would miss eight weeks. Luckily for Flood, the combination of a loyal coach, Tom Abatemarco—who has since resigned—and a recoverable injury meant no worries. The scholarship checks would keep coming. Anthony returned for the final 10 games of the 1998-99 season and played his entire senior year injury-free. Had luck not shined his way, Flood admits his life plans would have taken a definite turn.

"My parents would pay for me to keep going to school," Flood said of the possibility. "But I would also have to get a job to pay bills. Kaydee stays home with the baby, so I would have to be doing something. My parents aren't well off

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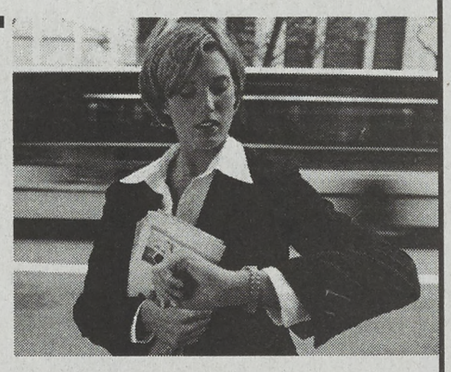


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Angela Lewis' career was in serious jeopardy after she suffered a brain aneurysm during her freshman season with the Hornets.

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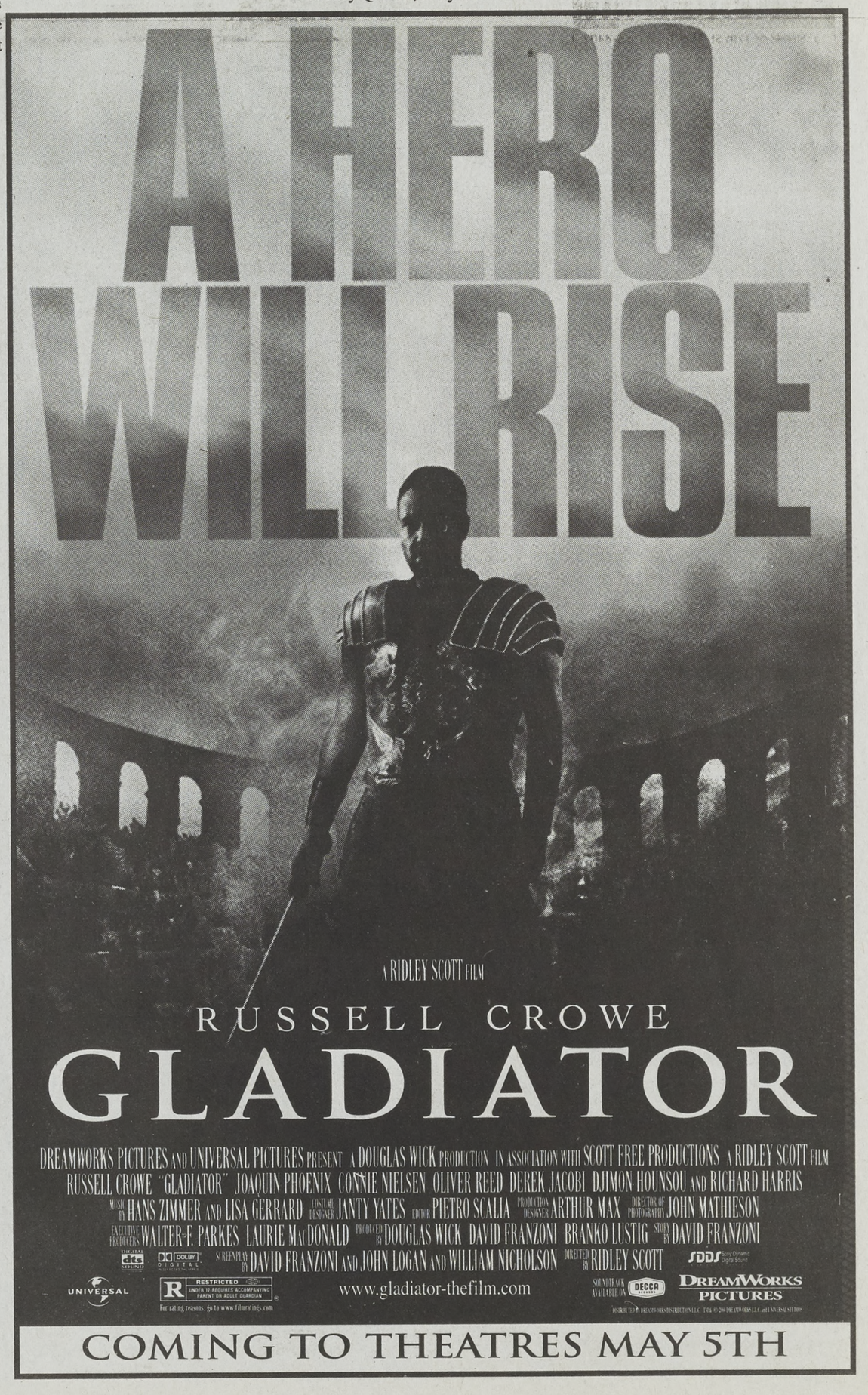
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Baseball – Big West Standings – as of 4/24

	W	L	Pct	Home	Away
CSU Fullerton	13	5	.722	5-4	8-1
Long Beach St.	13	8	.619	7-2	6-6
Nevada	11	7	.611	1-5	10-2
UC Santa Barbara	11	7	.611	8-4	3-3
Sac State	**10**	**8**	**.556**	**6-6**	**4-2**
Cal Poly	11	10	.524	7-5	4-5
Pacific	4	14	.222	1-8	3-6
New Mexico St.	2	16	.111	0-3	1-11

Softball – Big West Standings – as of 4/20

	W	L	Pct	Home	Away
CSU Northridge	13	2	.867	8-1	5-1
Long Beach St.	9	3	.750	5-1	4-2
CSU Fullerton	9	3	.750	3-3	6-0
Pacific	5	4	.556	3-3	2-1
UC Santa Barbara	6	6	.500	3-3	3-3
New Mexico St.	5	7	.417	2-2	3-5
Utah State	5	7	.417	3-3	2-4
Sac State	**4**	**11**	**.267**	3-3	1-8
Cal Poly	1	14	.067	0-6	1-8

Baseball – Overall Standings – as of 4/24

	W	L	Pct	Home	Away	Neut
Nevada	27	14	.659	6-6	17-6	4-2
CSU Fullerton	24	14	.632	12-6	12-8	0-0
Long Beach St.	25	16	.610	15-6	10-10	0-0
UC Santa Barbara	21	18	.539	13-9	7-8	1-1
Pacific	21	20	.512	9-6	7-8	1-1
Cal Poly	17	17	.500	18-11	3-9	0-0
Sac State	**16**	**24**	**.400**	**10-11**	**6-12**	**0-0**
New Mexico St.	17	26	.395	12-8	5-16	0-2

Softball – Overall Standings — as of 4/20

	W	L	Pct	Home	Away	Neut
CSU Fullerton	34	11	.756	9-8	11-3	14-0
Long Beach St.	31	17	.646	10-5	7-5	15-7
UC Santa Barbara	22	17	.564	10-6	6-6	6-5
CSU Northridge	23	18	.559	10-5-1	7-5	6-8
Pacific	21	19	.525	9-7	7-4	5-8
Sac State	**19**	**19**	**.500**	**15-6**	**3-8**	**1-5**
New Mexico St.	21	25	.456	7-7	7-14	7-4
Utah State	17	27	.386	6-4	4-9	7-14
Cal Poly	13	28	.317	6-6	1-15	6-7

State Hornet Players of the Week



Tim Conley
Seattle Seahawks



Jon Osterhout
New York Giants



Lonie Paxton
New England Patriots

Senior offensive linemen Tim Conley, Jon Osterhout, and Lonie Paxton each signed NFL contracts in the days following the draft on April 15 and 16.
Conley, a 6-foot-7, 300-pound left tackle, signed a two-year deal with the Seattle Seahawks and reports to camp tomorrow.
Osterhaut, a 6-foot-4, 290-pound left guard, signed a one-year deal with the New York Giants. Osterhout was named the Hornets' MVP following the 1999 season.
Paxton, a 6-foot-3, 285-pound right guard and longsnapper, signed a one-year deal with the New England Patriots.
Conley, Osterhout and Paxton are the fourth, fifth and sixth players from Sac State to make it to the NFL under head coach John Volek. Daimon Shelton, fullback for the Jacksonville Jaguars, is the only other former Hornet currently in the NFL.

Hornet Scores
April 12-25

Baseball

New Mexico State • April 14	7-5	L
New Mexico State • April 15	**7-6**	**W**
New Mexico State • April 16	**8-4**	**W**
Nevada • April 20	7-3	L
Nevada • April 21	5-3	L
Nevada • April 22	10-8	L
California • April 24	5-3	L

Softball

New Mexico State • April 15	2-0	L
New Mexico State • April 15	2-1	L
New Mexico State • April 16	**3-2**	**W**
Pacific • April 21	5-4	L
Pacific • April 22	**5-0**	**W**

Men's Tennis

• Big Sky Regionals •		
Portland State • April 14	**7-0**	**W**
Northern Arizona • April 15	**7-6**	**W**
Weber State • April 16	**8-4**	**W**
• Big Sky Championships •		
Weber State • April 21	**4-3**	**W**
Montana State • April 22	4-2	L

Women's Tennis

Nevada • April 15	8-1	L

Rowing

• Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships •		
First Place • April 15 • Varsity 8	**7:00.9**	
Barry • April 21	**7-1**	**W**
• Varsity 8	**6:54.8**	**W**

Track and Field

• Bruce Drummond Invitational • First Place Finishers		
Rosalyn Morris • 400-meter hurdles	**59.92 sec**	

– Hornet wins in Bold –

This week in Hornet Sports

April 27, Thursday
- Track vs. SPRING OPEN
- Track @ Stanislaus

April 28, Friday
- Baseball @ Pacific, 7 p.m.
- Track @ Stanislaus

April 29, Saturday
- Rowing @ Santa Clara
- Softball vs. SANTA CLARA, 12 p.m. (2)
- Baseball @ Pacific, 7 p.m.
- Track @ California

April 30, Sunday
- Rowing @ Santa Clara
- Baseball @ Pacific, 1 p.m.
- Track @ California

May 2, Tuesday
- Baseball @ Fresno State, 7 p.m.

ROWING: Team looks to qualify for NCAA Championships

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squad took lightly.

"Like in any sport, a Division II or III team can be fast enough to beat a Division I team," Zack said. "For example, Davis has beaten a couple of Division I schools. They beat Kansas State and Stanford. So you have to be ready to row."

WIRA Championships

A week earlier, the Sac State crew took first place in the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships. The WIRA is made up of 22 schools in the Western United States that are not a part of the Pac-10 conference.

Rounding out the top five behind Sac State's time of 7:00:9 was UC Davis (7:06:2), San Diego State (7:13:2), Colorado (7:19:6), and Western Washington (7:21:0).

"I'm ecstatic about the victory," Zack said. "This is the conference championships and we beat some very good schools. We have a pretty fast boat and this will do nothing but help our chances of reaching the NCAA Championships this year."

The Championships will be held May 26-28, and is a 15-team invitational meet. With Sac State ranked No. 20 in the nation, it appears they will have a shot.

"It's not necessarily going to be the top 15 schools in the coaches pool that get invited," Zack said. "There are some teams, especially some of the northeastern schools that are ranked pretty high just because of reputation. For example, the University of Massachusetts isn't a very fast team this year but they get votes in the coaches poll just because they're UMass. But there are a lot of coaches out there that are excited to see some of the less traditional rowing schools doing well, and hopefully we'll make it into the Championships."

New Recruit

In other news, Orange Coast College's Veronica Karpinski signed a national letter of intent on Wednesday. She will join the Hornets rowing team for the 2001 season.

"Veronica is everything you look for in a rower," Zack said. "She has height, great fitness and a tremendous work ethic. We'll be able to plug her into the varsity eight next year."

This signing is not the first time Sac State has recruited from Orange Coast College.

"Orange Coast is the only two-year college that offers rowing, "Zack said. "We've gotten a rower from there each of the last two years."

Karpinski also received interest from San Diego State, Michigan State, and USC.

TENNIS: Hornets barely downed Weber St.

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said. "The guys played real tough and with a lot of emotion and guts. They played the best they could."

Facing the 1-0 deficit after losing the doubles point, the Hornets started singles play confident and with revenge on their minds.

"We came into singles fired up and we thought we could still win the match," Evers said. "The team played well, but Montana State survived our initial outburst and then matched our intensity. They just played well."

Jordan Boyls, playing in what would be his final match, and Chris Smith would take singles matches for the Hornets, but Montana State would prove too much as the Hornets lost the remaining singles matches, falling 4-2.

Saturday's loss came on the heels of Friday's narrow 4-3 victory over Weber State.

"I was disappointed with how our team came out," Evers said. "They didn't come prepared to play and we should have lost against Weber State They had the 3-1 lead and I couldn't believe what was happening."

The team's only returning seniors were Boyls and Benny Andersson.

"This was a rebuilding year to me," Evers said. "We lost four guys from last year and I thought we played well throughout the season. I think the pressure got to us. The guys hadn't been in that type of match that where its move on or go home."

Next season, the Hornets will lose Andersson and Boyls, the team's No. 5 and No. 6 players.

"Losing Boyls is absolutely a killer because he is really a champion," Evers said. "I wish I had half of his heart."

Redshirt Joseph Gilbert will attempt to fill in one of the vacant spots. He was ranked No. 40 in the nation in doubles last season while with San Jose State.

"I think that what really hurt us this year is that we didn't have a dominant personality and team leader who would get into my guys' faces," Evers said. "I think he can be that leader."

SCHOLARSHIPS: Three athletes will finish educations under scholarship

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but they know that it's important; I'll be the first Flood to get a degree."

Joe no longer battles linebackers, defensive ends or even lineman; he battles the brain tumor that seems to be in remission. Angela is recovered from her freshman-year trauma. Her Sac State volleyball career is over, and with the graphic design degree that she will soon earn, Lewis will take her successes into her life off the court. Anthony is also on his way. Quinten is two years old and, with his daddy and mommy, the three enjoyed Flood's last season at Sac State and look forward to that family-first college degree. And Sac State's athletics program will continue to grow. It will grow, and the numbers will grow and the concerning issues will grow, too. With that, the scholarship scene will become all the more frightening when Colberg, or whoever sits in the A.D. chair, can no longer take the case-by-case approach to handling athletes. The Hornets sports world will be enjoyed by thousands in this growing city, and all the while young athletes will compete, eyes closed and unhindered, hoping to avoid that one crushing blow, awkward fall, or life-changing injury that pushes them out of this world and into the real one.



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